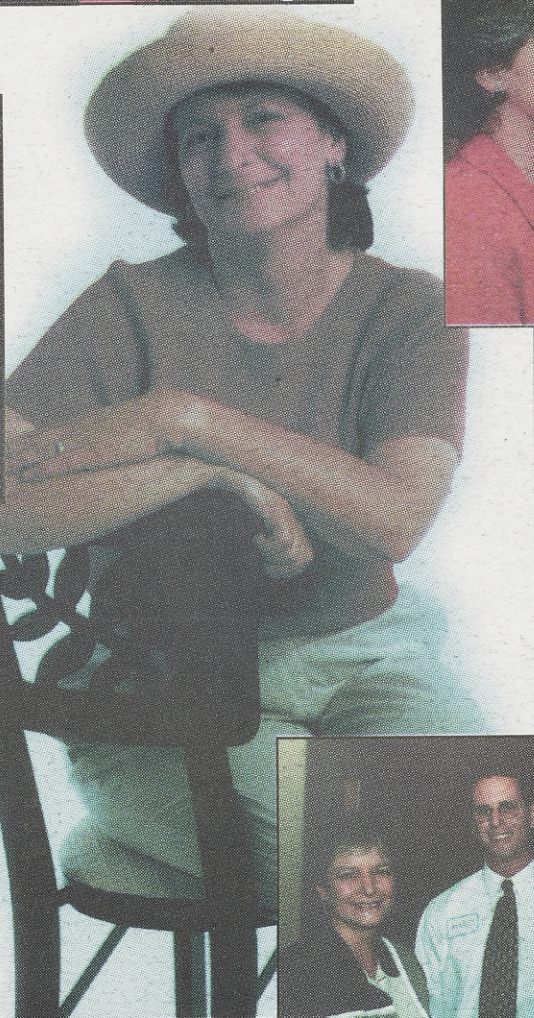


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Protest Bush's Presumption

Dear Editor,

For the first time in our nation's history, we are facing the illegitimate election of a President. Even without a final and certified vote from Florida, the Bush campaign is claiming victory, setting up its transition team, and is beating the drum for Gore to concede for "the good of the nation." Without hearing a cry of outrage from ordinary citizens, the media may buy this ridiculous notion.

We recommend you take a minute right now, and write a letter to your local newspaper or national media outlet. For sample letters, please visit our website at geocities.com/countercoup. Fax or email your letter immediately to your local. Please send a copy of your letter to us at florida@moveon.org. We would love to hear what you think.

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Sincerely,
Wes Boyd
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LLACE Sends Thanks!

Dear Editor,

Thanks much for the copies left at the Lavender Library And Archives (LLACE) for MGW distribution. I am thrilled by your support. In the coming weeks there is much happening at LLACE and I hope that you will join us in the celebration.

Besides the upcoming study groups, we are finding that more and more students are looking for Sacramento LGBT history. Michael Bennet has insured that LLACE has a complete available access to MGW, which gives us quite a unique guide to linking past and present.

I am continuing to send people your way to provide book reviews and it becomes a great collaboration as our inventory grows with contemporary and out of print information. I do invite you to utilize our services to provide ongoing reminders of historical developments.

I personally thank you and MGW for reporting events and LLACE news. See you at the Open House if not before.

Happy Trails...
Gail Lang
LLACE Volunteer

Breast Cancer Walk Raises \$835,000

Dear Editor,

I want to express my profound gratitude to all of the Sacramento residents who demonstrated their commitment to the community's health by walking in the American Cancer Society's Making Strides Against Breast Cancer at the Capitol on October 22.

Together, 11,000 participants raised \$835,000 to support breast cancer research and advocacy, as well as local breast health programs. One in nine women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in her lifetime, so these programs are likely to benefit someone close to each of us.

In addition to supporting crucial services, walkers honored loved ones that have battled breast cancer, heard inspirational messages from survivors, and received critical breast health information. While there were tearful moments, the prevailing mood was one of hopes and possibility.

None of this would have been possible without the energy and enthusiasm of walkers from throughout the greater Sacramento area. The success of the event is a testament to the power of committed concerned individuals to make our community an even better place to live. Again, on behalf of the American Cancer Society, thank you Sacramento. You are truly helping to make strides against breast cancer!

Sincerely,
Carolyn Berlier
American Cancer Society Regional Council Chair

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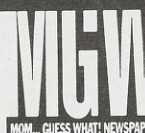
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Fargo Ousts Kerth For Mayor

SACRAMENTO, CA – With 173 of 315 precincts tallied, Heather Fargo had collected slightly over 53% of the vote to opponent Rob Kerth's 47%. Several pre-election polls showed Fargo with a strong lead, so analysts predict she will succeed interim Mayor Jimmie Yee when the

with different skills to offer. Fargo's campaign focused on support and development of Midtown and Downtown while Kerth promised more attention to North Sacramento, an area he believes City Hall has ignored.

Fargo moves into the Mayor's office with eleven years experience as a State Parks De-



Mayor Heather Fargo

winner is sworn in Tuesday, November 28. Fargo and Kerth waged the longest and most expensive campaigns in city history. Dating back to 1999 and with collective contributions surpassing \$1 million, the two struggled to distinguish themselves as individual City Council members

partment supervisor for the City Council. Her history as an activist includes leading a coalition to temporarily prevent development in North Natomas. She promises to support the LGBT community and uphold domestic partnership laws. Info. www.HeatherFargo.com, 930-9749 ▼

CAPE Sees Optimistic Future For State

By Nicole Macshafi
MGW Staff

SACRAMENTO, CA – California Alliance for Pride and Equality (CAPE) sees state election results as proof that voters are interested in electing fair-minded representatives.

Voters supported Vice President Al Gore over Governor George W. Bush for the presidency with a significant difference of 54% to 42%. Gore is the only leading presidential candidate that supports equal rights for LGBT citizens.

The number of out lesbians in the State Legislature was doubled by the election. A September 15 "Washington Blade" report found that four of the five states that passed equal rights laws this year had openly LGBT state legislators. But three of the four states that passed anti-gay laws had no openly LGBT legislators to speak up for equality.

California's congressional delegation is split with 32 Democrats and 20 Republicans with Democrats gaining four seats in the election. This tally may change depending upon the final

count of absentee ballots in the 37th Assembly District and the 5th and 29th Senate Districts. Thirty first-time legislators join the Assembly, many with LGBT media and organization endorsements.

State race results are as follows:

- House candidate Gerrie Schipske (D-California) is within 1% of victory over incumbent Steve Horn in Long Beach's 38th district. They are waiting for final results from 8,000 absentee ballots yet to be counted.
- Assemblymember Mike Honda won the 15th district seat over fellow Assemblymember Jim Cunneen.
- State Senator Adam Schiff defeated incumbent Jim Rogan in the 27th district.
- Incumbent Senator Dianne Feinstein, a longtime defender of LGBT rights defeated Congressman Tom Campbell winning 56% of the total votes to Campbell's 36%.
- Jane Harman unseated incumbent Steve Kuykendall, reclaiming the 36th District she represented before running for Governor in 1998.
- Assemblymember Susan Davis

trounced incumbent Brian Bilbray in the 49th district.

- Gay candidate Ron Oden failed to unseat incumbent Mary Bono in the 44th District. Bono does not support LGBT civil rights.
- Assemblymember Sheila Kuehl won the 23rd Senate District with 71% of the total vote. She became the first and only openly LGBT member of the State Senate.
- Assemblymember Carole Migden of San Francisco's 13th District won her final term in the Assembly, capturing 79% of the electoral votes.
- Los Angeles City Councilmember Jackie Goldberg of the 45th Assembly District won a seat in the legislature. She ran unopposed.
- San Diego City Councilmember Christine Kehoe, representing the 76th Assembly District, won a seat in the Assembly. She took 61% of the total votes. Toni Atkins also won a seat on the board.
- Gary Miller won a seat on the Robla School Board. Sam Ciraulo, however, did not win a seat. Wendy Clymer will join Miller on the board.

...See State Future on Pg. 12

How We Did On November 7th

Office	MGW Endorsements	Winners
President	Al Gore	?!!!
U.S. Senator	Dianne Feinstein	Dianne Feinstein
U.S. Representative, District 3	Bob Kent	Doug Ose (R)
U.S. Representative, District 4	Mark Norberg	John Doolittle (R)
U.S. Representative, District 5	Robert Matsui	Robert Matsui
U.S. Representative, District 11	Tom Sanyos	Richard Pombo (R)
State Senator, District 5	Michael Machado	Michael Machado
State Assembly, District 5	Gene Frazier	Dave Cox (R)
State Assembly, District 8	Helen Thomson	Helen Thomson
State Assembly, District 9	Darrell Steinberg	Darrell Steinberg
State Assembly, District 10	Debra Gravert	Anthony Pescetti (R)
Mayor Of Sacramento	Heather Fargo	Heather Fargo
City Of Sacramento, Council Member, District 2	Sandy Sheedy	Sandy Sheedy
Sacramento Municipal Utility District, Ward 1	Linda Davis	Linda Davis
Sacramento Municipal Utility District, Ward 5	Peter Keat	Peter Keat
Judge Of The Superior Court	Trena Burger	Trena Burger
Sacramento City Unified School District	Jay Schenirer & Manuel Hernandez	Jay Schenirer & Manuel Hernandez
Grant Joint High School District	Jason L. Sample & Patrick Kemp	Jason L. Sample & Patrick Kemp
Robla School District	Gary Miller & Sam Ciraulo	Gary Miller & Wendy Clymer
American River Flood Control	Virginia Moose	Virginia Moose
Folsom City Council	John Moline	Jeff Starsky & Eric King
Los Rios Community College District, Area 5	Pamela Haynes	Pamela Haynes
Los Rios Community College District, Area 7	Kay Albani	Kay Albani
Natomas School Board	Gary Davis	Gary Davis

State Propositions

32 - Veterans bond act	YES	YES
33 - Legislative and public employees retirement system	NO	NO
34 - Campaign contributions and spending limits and disclosures	NO	YES
35 - Public works projects use of private contractor services	NO	YES
36 - Changes in drug prosecution, probation, and access to treatment programs	YES	YES
37 - Fees, voting requirements, taxes	NO	NO
38 - Vouchers for parochial schools	NO	NO
39 - School facilities	YES	YES

Measures

O - Initiative to amend the county general plan and zoning code	NO	NO
P - Sacramento Public Library CFD special tax of \$22 per year	YES	YES
Q - Tax for the Rancho Murieta/Sloughhouse portion of the		
American River Fire Protection District	YES	YES
R - \$215 million bond for Los Rios Community College District	NO	YES
S - Annexation of the City of Galt into the Sacramento Public Library CFD	YES	YES
T - Sacramento Public Library CFD tax for City of Galt	YES	YES
U - Annexation of the City of Isleton into the Sacramento Public Library CFD	YES	YES

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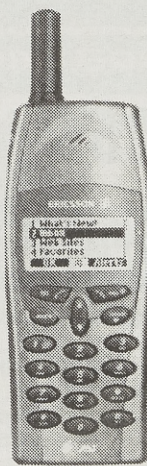
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State Tax Decision Supports LGBT Families

SACRAMENTO, CA – The State Board of Equalization (BOE) became the first tax agency in the nation to grant LGBT parents the same tax benefits as heterosexual parents.

By a 3-2 vote in a case known as **Appeal Of Helmi Hisserich**, the BOE granted head of household filing status to a taxpayer whose domestic partner gave birth to their child.

Head of household status provides lower tax rates for unmarried taxpayers supporting dependent family members. Unmarried heterosexual couples are also eligible for the policy.

BOE members **Johan Klehs** (D-Castro Valley), **John Chlang** (D-Los Angeles), and **State Controller Kathleen Connell** (D-Los Angeles) voted in favor of the change. **Dean Andal** (R-Stockton) and **Claude Parrish** (R-Rancho Palos Verdes) voted against it.

In order to qualify for head of household status, the taxpayer must be unmarried, pay over half of the costs related to maintaining their home, and the child must live with the taxpayer for more than half of the year. Married couples have a "joint filing status" option and do not qualify for head of household status. Info. 445-4081, 510-247-2125 ▼

Speaking Out Against Hate Crimes

Julie Padilla, campaign chair for **Ralph Nader**, discussed the lack of unity among minority groups at The Capitol Summit On Hate Crimes sponsored by Lavender Alliance For Civic Action.

She took her young son, who has long hair, to a NAACP breakfast where a woman suggested that she his hair so he does not mistake himself for a "queer." Padilla believes this type of discrimination prevents civil rights organizations from combining their efforts and slows progress toward equality. ▼

57% Support Nondiscrimination Laws

DENVER, CO – According to a new survey by Harris Poll Online, 82% of Americans acknowledge their LGBT family, friends, co-workers, and acquaintances, and possess more progressive attitudes on political issues critical to LGBT voters.

57% favored laws prohibiting discrimination against LGBT people, an improvement from January 2000 results where 52% favored such laws and 2% opposed them.

According to **Katherine Pease**, Executive Director of the Gill Operating Foundation, "The signals are inescapable that lesbians and gays have remarkable circles of influence with family, friends, and co-workers. We consistently see evidence of that progress, and these research findings help track that influence in positive ways."

Pease reported that a total of 2,001 likely voters responded with 1,730 of them knowing of an LGBT family member, friend, co-worker, or acquaintance. Of the U.S. sample, 82% revealed one or more personal connections and some familiarity with LGBT people and political issues. Info. JamesR@gillfoundation.org, 303-292-4455 ▼

Laura Moved To Television Graveyard

SACRAMENTO, CA – Controversial talk show host **Laura Schlessinger** has been moved to the 1am and later slot on six CBS-owned stations that carry Paramount programs. The affected markets include New York, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Philadelphia, Dallas, and Chicago. The show's low ratings are cited as the reason for the move. Paramount declined comment except to say that they will continue producing the show.

Schlessinger's show was protested for months before it even premiered by LGBT advocacy groups objecting to her continual condemnation of LGBT people.

Boycotts and letter writing campaigns convinced almost all of her advertisers to withdraw their financial support.

"Curtis Court" produced by King World Productions will move into Schlessinger's previous time slot. Info. www.StopDrLaura.com ▼

West Hollywood Declared Refuge For Bi-National Couples

WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA – The City Council supported a resolution to declare itself a "City Of Refuge" for bi-national same sex couples on November 6. It has become the second city in the nation, after San Francisco, to begin raising awareness on this civil rights and immigration issue.

"There are heart-breaking stories in which same-gender couples, involved in long-term relationships, are forced to split up because a visa has expired or has been revoked under a bureaucratic snafu," said **Mayor Jeff Prang**. "Same-gender couples in loving relationship's should enjoy the same benefits and protections as the heterosexual community and I am pleased our City has taken this bold and principled stance."

Under current immigration law, LGBT couples are not recognized since they can not legally marry. Although the existence of a heterosexual long-term relationship is enough reason to grant extended visas or permanent citizenship. Info. 323-848-6426 ▼

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Pride Board Makes History

SAN FRANCISCO, CA – Cecilia Chung has become the first male to female transsexual and the first Asian to be elected as Board President of the Pride Committee. Chung has been an activist in both Asian and Transgendered communities and works at Tom Waddell Health Center, Ryan White Care Planning Council, and Gay.com.

Chung leads a non-profit Board of thirteen directors, whose members are Bill Beasley, Secretary Joey Cain, Nikki Calma, Anna Damiani, Steven Davies, Eddie Dobbins, Vice President Calvin Gipson, Jennifer Mork, George Smith III, Joshua Smith, Soni Wolf, and Treasurer Ronald Wong.

San Francisco Pride 2001 will be held June 23-24. Info. www.sfpide.org, 415-864 3733



Male to female transsexual Cecilia Chung, San Francisco Pride Committee's new president, said that she is "privileged to lead one of the world's biggest Pride celebrations and am proud that SF Pride is taking another step forward in making transgender history."

BACW Seeks LAVA Award Nominees

SAN FRANCISCO, CA – Every year since 1993 BACW and Lesbians of Achievement, Vision, and Action (LAVA) honor out local lesbians that have worked to enhance the image, empowerment, and understanding of lesbians.

The organizations are accepting nominations for the 2001 awards of lesbians from all parts of the Bay Area and are committed to recognizing lesbians from diverse communities. They encourage re-submission of past nominations.

The deadline is Thursday, November 30, 2000. Info. 415-495-5393, www.bacw.org

GLSEN Made The Air Waves

SACRAMENTO, CA - In an effort to demonstrate support for the LGBT community, The Zone (100.5 FM) and KYMX MIX 96 broadcasted an interview with local Gay, Lesbian, And Straight Education Network (GLSEN) co-chair Donna Matthews.

The stations will also continue to air public service announcements for GLSEN in order to raise awareness of student Gay-Straight Alliances. Info. 733-2135

Pastor Starts Campaign Against River City High GSA

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA - Pastor Gary Clements of First Baptist Church (1511 Delaware Avenue) sent a letter to most of the city's community leaders complaining about the existence of a Gay-Straight Alliance (GSA) at River City High School. He described the group as "a pro-homosexuality 'club'" that should not exist on school property.

Ed Sanborn, GSA's advisor, states that the club is just a social group. Members gather to discuss their lives in a safe place where no one will harass them. The club has contacts with national organizations and a library or donated books that have been censored for sexual content. Sanborn stated that the group does not promote any sort of sexual activity and did not recruit students.

RCHS officials have not decided whether to respond to Clement's letter. Info. 371-4061, goconnor@cais.com

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2000 Drummer Boy Chosen

SACRAMENTO, CA - August, Joseph, and Jackson Gresock at the 2000 Drummer Boy contest held at The Bolt. Gresock won the title, joining current Mr. Drummer Brian Peters. Info. 722-6301, mbutler@gvn.net

Lambda Players Win An Elly!

SACRAMENTO, CA – The Lambda Players were recognized for their artistic achievement in local community theatre by the Sacramento Area Regional Theatre Alliance (SARTA) at the 18th Annual Elly Awards.

This year's ceremonies were held at Bert Chappell Theatre at Hiram Johnson High School. The Lambda Players won best overall original production for their presentation of "Coffeehouse."

Other winners included American River College, who

took five Ellys for their production of "Brighton Beach Memories." Little Bus, the youth troupe of Garbeau's Dinner Theatre received nine awards total, six for their presentation of "The Blues Brothers Grimm." Community Asian Theatre of the Sierra won three Ellys for their presentation of "Rashoman."

The Ellys are named after Eleanor McClatchy, the former president of McClatchy Newspapers. McClatchy Newspapers publishes The Sacramento Bee.

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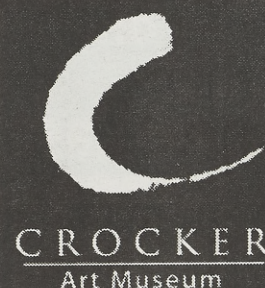
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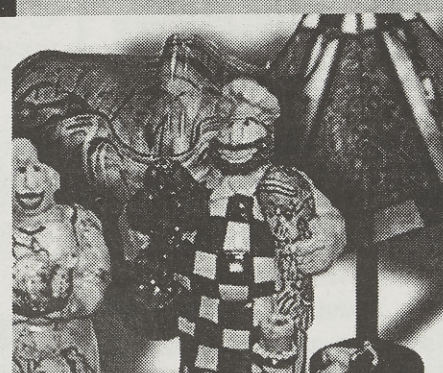


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UNDER THE DOMES

Mother Can Take Police To Court For Son's Suicide

MINERSVILLE, PA — A mother whose teen son committed suicide after police harassed and threatened him because he was gay can take her wrongful-death case to trial. The Third U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld a district court decision allowing the case to go forward against Pennsylvania's Borough of Minersville, the local police department, and two police officers. The lower court rejected the police officers' attempt to win qualified immunity from suit, ruling instead that their conduct violated the young man's right to privacy.

Marcus Wayman, then 18, committed suicide two months before high school graduation in 1997. He and a friend had been stopped by police officers for trespassing. When searched condoms were found in his friend's pocket. The officers questioned the two about their sexual orientation then read passages from the Bible condemning homosexuality. The officers gave Wayman an ultimatum: either disclose his sexual orientation or they would do it for him. Faced with the decision, Wayman committed suicide.

Sterling's lawsuit charges the officers, police chief, and city with violating Wayman's 14th Amendment rights to privacy and equal protection of law as well as state laws. It will now go to trial for an ultimate decision on these claims. Info. 212-809-8585, www.lambdalegal.org ▼

Maine, Nebraska, Nevada Approve Anti-LGBT Measures

WASHINGTON D.C. — Voters in Maine narrowly rejected an effort to amend the state's Human Rights Act to forbid discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.

Nebraska voters approved a proposal to outlaw same-sex marriages, civil unions, and government recognition of domestic partner benefits causing LGBT families to lose most of their civil rights.

In Nevada, voters approved a ban on same-sex marriage. Under the Nevada Constitution, the measure must be approved again at

the ballot box in order for it to become law so opponents believe there is a chance that it will be overturned.

Nationwide, 74% of Democrats, 65% of independents and 49% of Republicans support anti-discrimination laws. Nationwide LGBT voters make up about 4% of the overall electorate. Exit polls conducted by Voter News Service showed that 70% of the LGBT vote went to Vice President Al Gore, 25% went to Gov. George W. Bush, and 4% to Green Party candidate Ralph Nader.

Info. www.nglrf.org, 202-332-6483

Bush's Abortion History

WASHINGTON D.C. — During an interview with Bob Novak on CNN Crossfire, Larry Flynt, publisher of "Hustler" magazine, presented evidence that George W. Bush assisted his girlfriend in obtaining an abortion before 1970's Roe Vs. Wade decision legalized the procedure.

Bush denies the act, but Flynt claims to know who the young lady was, the doctor that performed it, and several of the woman's friends were aware of the relationship and the subsequent abortion.

Flynt stated that the woman did not want to make the matter public, so he can not disclose her identity or confront Bush. Currently, Bush is strongly anti-abortion and has publicly announced his intention to overturn Roe vs. Wade. Info.

www.bushwatch.com ▼

Cher Sends Clear Message To Voters

LONDON, ENGLAND — When Oscar and Grammy winning artist Cher ponders the affect George W. Bush will have on the free world, she sends a clear message

to voters: "Has everyone lost their f—king minds? Doesn't anybody remember the illustrious Reagan-Bush years when people had no money and no jobs? What has happened to people's memories? It's like they have Alzheimer's or something."

Cher is not a registered Democrat, nor does she frequently consider politics, but she is so concerned about Bush winning the presidency that she has delayed

recording her next album to campaign for the Democratic Party. Since September she has appeared at the National Democratic Convention, several

fundraisers for Al Gore, Hillary Rodham Clinton, and Bill Clinton, and done radio interviews for CNN.

"I'm supposed to go out and talk to people this week and tell them that if you vote for Ralph Nader that's all well and good, but a vote for Nader is a vote for Bush," she said of

liberal vote splitting. "I don't want to see what happened years ago, happen again. The idea of old people eating dog food doesn't appeal to me." ▼



Cher

Fourth Fire Hits BoJangles

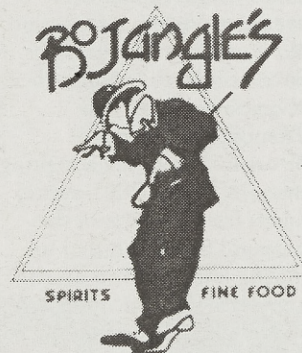
SACRAMENTO, CA — Co-owners Leroy Fischer and Terry Sidie have no idea how long BoJangles (7042 Folsom Boulevard) will be closed for repairs after a fire damaged the building's kitchen.

The building was originally a gay bar and still hosts a LGBT crowd on Wednesdays.

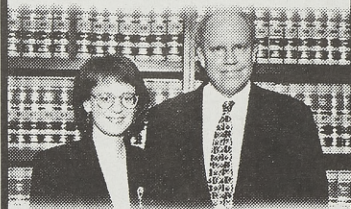
In July 1979 a gunman shot three men and one woman

standing on the balcony and in 1999 a Molotov cocktail was thrown at the building starting a small fire.

The club originally opened in 1976. No one was in the building at the time of the fire and the fire is under investigation. ▼



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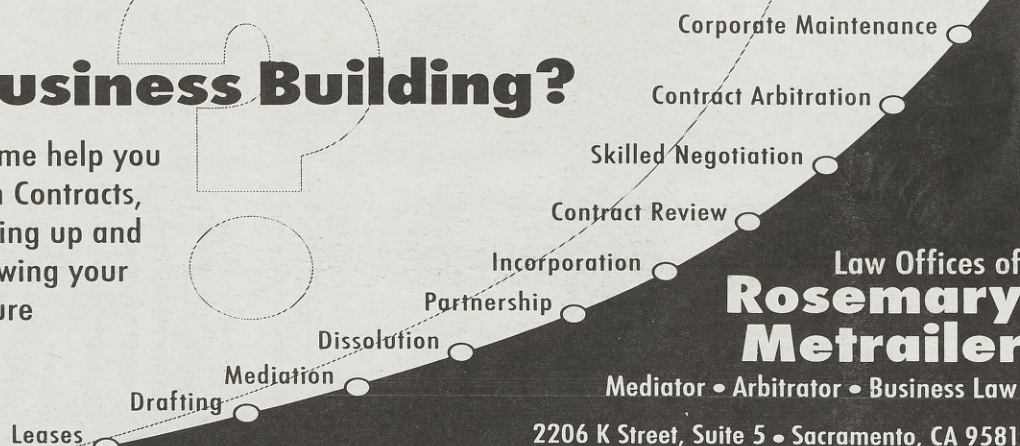
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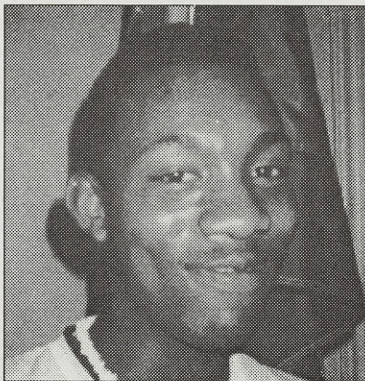
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Which Presidential Candidate Addressed Issues Important To You?

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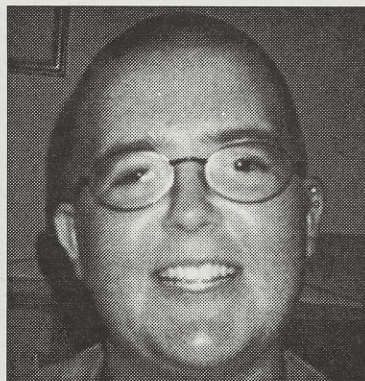
Well, from my perspective Al Gore talks about the issues of gays and lesbians openly. Gore really is trying to set things right.



June Hayes

Elk Grove, California
Student

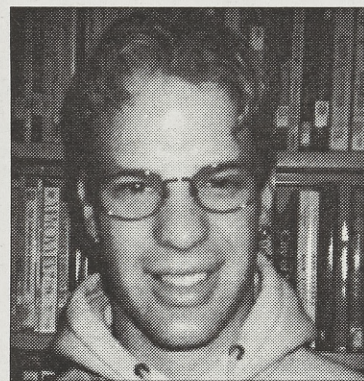
Over all, I like Vice President Gore the best. All the other candidates seem like pigs. Gore seems more soft-spoken and he is very anti-discrimination orientated.



Brianna Pulskamp

Amador County, California

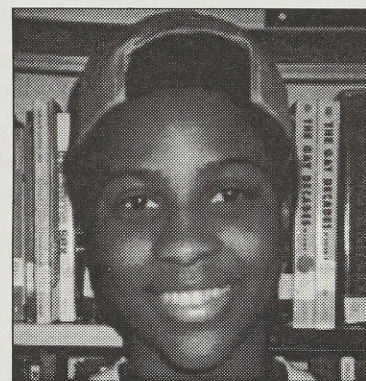
I feel as though Gore exhibits more of a humanistic view. His issues seem to include a broad spectrum of all the social groups.



James Larsen

Chico, California
Student

Al Gore really relates to me because he's much younger. Even though Clinton has a bad presidency, he did put people in the correct places in government jobs.



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Al Gore by more than 50%. Gore shows a concern for gay rights, education, and the environment. He has an understanding of our military and families.

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FOOD & WINE

By Randy Hartley
MGW/Food & Wine Editor

Let's Talk

The fowl now known as a turkey has a long culinary history. The birds had roamed the Americas for two million years before Sixteenth Century Spanish conquistadors discovered a breed domesticated by Aztecs in Mexico. Conquistadors introduced turkeys to Europe, where they soon became immensely popular. Brillat-Savarin described them as "one of the finest gifts given to the Old World by the New."

The English dubbed the newcomer bird "turkey," apparently confusing it with peacocks, which were then commonly called turkeys. Peacocks originated in India but arrived in Europe via Asia Minor, which was generally known as Turkey. Founding father Benjamin Franklin proposed to make turkeys the official bird of the United States – he thought them more respectable than bald eagles.

Bulging with chestnut, sausage, corn bread, or oyster stuffing and accompanied by cranberry sauce, the roast bird crowns the Thanksgiving table, a continuing reminder of the four wild turkeys served at the Pilgrims' harvest feast in 1621. In England, the turkey, served with currant jelly and bread sauce, is a symbol of Christmas joy.

The greatest selection of turkeys is available at holiday time. If you want to prepare a fresh turkey, Thanksgiving is the time to do so. Fresh turkey is much more succulent than frozen, but you must order one from your butcher in advance.

Small fryer-roaster turkeys weighing five to nine pounds are available, as are turkey pieces. But the traditional bird for holiday gatherings is a large hen or tom ranging in weight from twelve to twenty-five pounds and range in age from five to seven months.

Wild turkeys are also wonderful. Their flesh is firm and dense and their aroma is intriguing. They are smaller than most domesticated turkeys – usually six to ten pounds. They will provide an adequate

meal for six to eight people. Your butcher may be able to track one down for you if given enough time.

A fresh turkey should be free of bruises, and the internal cavity should have a clean, fresh smell. Rinse well inside and out and then pat dry. Refresh inside and out with fresh lemon or orange juice. The important things to remember about the festive turkey are not to overcook it – this is done far too frequently – and to baste it often to prevent dryness.

Thaw a frozen turkey in its original wrapper on a tray in the refrigerator. Be sure to allow the bird enough time to thaw completely; a twelve-pound bird will need about two days. A twenty-four-pound bird will need three or four.

This recipe for an American-style turkey is based on the traditional, but here, instead of the usual slow-cooking method, I quick roast the turkey at a high temperature. This technique not only cuts down on cooking time but also helps to keep the turkey moist. By roasting the turkey this way, you are able to cook a six-pound turkey in only three hours. This high-temperature, quick-cooking method does involve a bit more watching and basting than the slow-cooking, low-temperature method, but the trade-off is shorter cooking time and juicy turkey. Another timesaving device is to stuff the bird while the dressing is still hot.

Stuffing a Thanksgiving turkey with homemade cornbread is a popular bit of Americana, but this stuffing can become a little heavy. By adding the zest and juice from a few lemons, however, the stuffing and the whole bird take on an unusually light and refreshing flavor. Turkeys are ideal for stuffing but never stuff the bird until you are ready to roast it. (Stuffing is the perfect moist environment for bacteria.) Be sure not to pack a turkey too tightly with stuffing; leave room for the stuffing to expand.

Roast Turkey With Lemon-Cornbread Stuffing 12 to 16 Servings

- 1 turkey (16 pounds), thawed if frozen
- 6 cups lemon-cornbread stuffing (recipe below) or your favorite stuffing
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 large onion, sliced
- 2 carrots, sliced
- 2 bay leaves
- 1 sprig of parsley
- 2 garlic cloves, sliced
- 5 or 6 peppercorns, cracked
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 cup dry white wine, chicken broth or water
- Salt and freshly ground pepper

1. Preheat the oven to 475 degrees. Remove the neck and giblets from the turkey and reserve them. Rinse the turkey inside and out under cold water then pat dry.
2. Place the turkey breast side down. Loosely fill the neck with 1 cup of the hot stuffing. Pull the neck skin over the cavity to seal it and fasten the back of the turkey with skewers or wooden picks. Turn the turkey breast side up and fold the wings under the turkey.
3. Lightly pack the remaining 5 cups stuffing into the main cavity. Tie the drumsticks together with kitchen string or, if your turkey has a metal clamp, arrange the drumsticks so that the clamp

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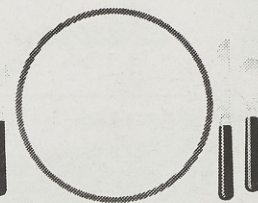
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will hold them in place. Rub the turkey with the oil.

4. Place the turkey, breast side up, on a rack in a roasting pan and roast in the lower third of the oven for 45 minutes. The initial 45 minutes will begin to brown the turkey very quickly, so be sure your oven temperature is not higher than 475 degrees.

5. Meanwhile, make the stock for the gravy (let it simmer while the turkey roasts): Place the reserved neck and giblets in a medium saucepan. Add the onion, carrots, bay leaves, parsley, garlic, peppercorns and 2 quarts of water. Bring to a boil and reduce the heat to low. If the liquid reduces to less than 2 cups at any time, add additional water. Just before the turkey is done, strain the stock and discard the solids; you should have 2 cups of liquid.

6. Lower the oven temperature to 400 degrees and loosely cover the turkey with an aluminum foil tent. Continue to roast, basting with the pan juices every 30 minutes or so, for about 2 1/4 hours, or until the internal temperature of the breast registers 160

degrees and the thigh meat 170 degrees. The juices will run clear when pierced with a fork.

7. Remove the turkey from the oven and lift it on the rack from the roasting pan; allow it to rest for 20 minutes before carving. Meanwhile, prepare the gravy: Pour the drippings from the roasting pan into the measuring cup and let the fat rise to the top. Spoon off most of the fat but keep 1-cup drippings. Pour these drippings back into the roasting pan and add the flour. Place the pan over 2 burners adjusted to moderate heat and cook, stirring constantly, until the mixture is bubbling, about 3 minutes. Add the wine and cook, stirring constantly, until the gravy thickens and boils, about 2 minutes. Season with salt and pepper to taste.

Lemon-Cornbread Stuffing

Be sure to make the cornbread for this recipe a day ahead so it can dry overnight.

6 Cups, Enough For A 16-Pound Turkey (13-By-9-Inch Sheet)

1 cups yellow cornmeal
1 cup all-purpose flour
1 tablespoon baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
3 eggs
1 cups milk
1 tablespoon honey or sugar
4 tablespoons butter, melted

1. Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Lightly grease a 13-by-9-inch baking pan.

2. In a large bowl, sift together the cornmeal, flour, baking powder and salt. In another bowl, beat the eggs with the milk and honey. Add the egg mixture to the dry ingredients and mix thoroughly. Stir in the melted butter and pour the batter evenly into the prepared pan. Bake for 15 to 18 minutes, or until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean.

3. Cut the cornbread into rectangles about 3 by 4 inches, place them on a rack and let dry overnight.

1 cup olive oil
1 cup unsalted butter
2 cups finely chopped onion
1 1/2 cups chopped celery
1 tablespoon minced garlic
1 cup minced parsley leaves
1 tablespoon grated lemon zest
1 cup fresh lemon juice (from 3 or 4 lemons)

1 tablespoon salt
1 teaspoon pepper
4 eggs
1 cup chicken or turkey stock

1. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Cut the cornbread into 1-inch croutons; you should have about 7 cups. Place the croutons on a baking sheet and bake for 35 to 40 minutes, until dry, golden brown and crisp.

2. In a large heavy skillet, heat the olive oil and butter over moderate heat until the butter melts. Add the onion and celery and sauté about 10 minutes, until the onion is softened and translucent. Add the garlic and croutons and cook, stirring, for 2 to 3 minutes, until they are heated through. Remove the skillet from the heat and stir in the parsley, lemon zest, lemon juice, salt and pepper.

3. In a medium bowl, whisk the eggs with the stock until blended. Stir the egg mixture into the stuffing and mix well.

Cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes, Brussels sprouts and glazed carrots with pearl onions would make good side dishes. A California Merlot or Zinfandel would be wonderful.

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Not Just Another R&B Singer Blame Canada For A Flawless Rock Album

By Charles Turner
MGW Staff

Eyes Never Lie. Dwayne Wiggins. Motown Records.

Dwayne Wiggins' debut on Motown Records was inevitable. The only question was how well the Grammy-nominated co-founder of Oaktown R & B trio "Tony Toni Tone" could bring the beats on a solo tip.

With the spotlight directly on "Eyes Never Lie" something becomes clear: the truth lies between the grooves, the groove lies between the ears, and your ears are smokin' from the heat. "Eyes Never Lie" delivers a constant unbroke-energizes your claps and finger that dance to the collection of alter-clever blend of el-and adopted cre-vintage tip with a twist.

Track one legendary sounds Sinatra's "Fly Me and adds an R & unique introduc-"R&B Singer" is a tune that is his anthem. The of soulful har-instrumentation.

The first single album is the bit-Really Going On featuring jazz a musical look at the double-bar-capsulated gaze at through style of dress, appearance, and because the cops are jerks. Feel the anger of the notes as they beat you down.

On a lighter note, the guitar work on "Move With Me," which was co-written with guitar-God Carlos Santana is infectious and hypnotic. The flow stimulates body and soul. This track is gonna wear out your repeat button. The old school flow of "Flower" spreads its musical seed by taking you back to the day when the bay was ruled by the bands that played the airwaves. Heavy hitters like Sly, Carlos, TOP, and Larry (GCS) heavily influenced this track.

The title track "Eyes Never Lie" spins on all sides. The signature sound that put his former band on the map is all over this piece. So close your eyes and turn it back with a new twist. This is polished and stimulating. Homage is paid to the best in the west, the Bay's best thumper Larry Graham and his band Graham Central Station. They are paid-in-full with a funky re-take not re-make of their mega-hit "Hair." Wiggins reshapes the cords and slaps his own label on his version titled "Music Is Power."

The remaining tracks complete the package. The album's delivery of R & B is smooth and enjoyable to the musical pallet. Recommended good listening...you'll be hittin' all night! ▼



Guitarist Dwayne Wiggins melts Billy Holiday, Oakland R & B, pop music, and Memphis soul on "Eyes Never Lie." It is his first recording since leaving Tony Toni Tone for a solo career.

ken current that hands - causing snaps and feet beat. Wiggins' native R & B is a ements infused ating a fresh contemporary

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The Greyest Of Blue Skies. Finger Eleven. Wind-Up Records.

Props to you Canada for letting Finger Eleven members James Black, Ritch Beddoe, Scott Anderson, Sean Anderson, and Rick Jaccett fall through your maple leaf. Thanks to you for not recognizing talent and energy in its purest form. You opt out for some salt-peter laced modern rock by the means of Celin Dion and her dad...o' my bad....that's her husband.

But I digress. Finger Eleven's new album "The Greyest Of Blue Skies" on Wind-Up Records (a BMG subsidiary) is taking the rock stage cord-by-cord by cranking hard riffs and gut grabbing lyrics that attack the cerebellum. The razor-sharp edged axe-grinders have played with Days Of The New, Our Lady Peace, Fuel, and labelmates Creed. They honed their skills along the way and poured all of it into this album.

The Finger Eleven album is a one-two punch that grinds from dusk to dawn. It is laced with poignant lyrics that push you head

first off it's mega-stack of marshals. Each track has a undercurrent of rage that walks the ocean floor in the emotional darkness with glimmers of light from above that fade to grey. Their song's vocal grip will pull you in with no escape. The tracks are hook-heavy loud, powerful, explosive, and tight. The switch flips and the juice flows through the speakers.



Finger Eleven believes "The Greyest Of Blue Skies" is the closest they have come to getting what is in their heads onto tape. Their debut album "Tip" is available on Wind-Up Records.

"First Time" is a hard-hitting track that pounds cord after cord through the grill. It sets a sonic pace for what is to be an album full of ear-turbulence.

One of the premiere pieces on the disc is "Drag You Down," a simple riff filled grind with a mind of its own. The simplistic complexity pulls your mind apart. Complicated melodic gears are the driving forces of "My Carousel." Go round

its motion sickness until dizzy. "Sick Of It All" may be the best arrangement on the album. It is a lyrical look into the center of your cell. The band delivers a full-on assault with their musical depth and appeal on this track. Feel the spray that bounces off the rocks on "For The Ocean." This full throttle grind leaves big wakes pounding the womb of the naked shore. The

empty hallways of darkness reverberate and magnify on "Broken Words." The cords of "Suffocate" take you to the edge. The lyrics beat you down and push you off, stealing your will. Finger Eleven shows a softer riff on a sweet melody called "Bones + Joints." "Famous" showcases the appeal of Anderson's powerful vocals.

The band's creative abilities took on Depeche Mode's

"Walking In My Shoes." They made a kick-ass cover that takes the single to a higher level while still maintaining the original shape of the song. Anderson flexes his vocal muscle on "Stay And Drown." The bands musical spiral on this song is a perfect end to a flaw-free rock album. Highly recommended for continuous play. ▼



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By Stefan Gruenwedel
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"The Vagina Monologues."
Written and performed by Eve Ensler. 90 minutes

My girlfriend and I were trying to decide what to do on Halloween night when she spotted an ad in the "Bay Guardian" for Eve Ensler's "The Vagina Monologues." It was its opening night.

I'd heard about this play via the news when New York Mayor Rudolph Giuliani's estranged wife, Donna Hanover, caused some controversy when she said she wanted to perform in it.

We were eager to see Ensler. The book's author and the performance's writer live on stage. What would this play be about? Would it be polemical, comical, or what?

We weren't disappointed and neither was the opening-night crowd, which couldn't have been more enthusiastic. Comprised mostly of women (many in couples or small groups), almost everyone in the audience reacted positively to the show. Of course, what else could be expected? This is San Francisco. One older woman even sported a black shirt that bore the cheeky, double-entendre slogan, "Lick Bush!"

I say "almost everyone" because some women remained strangely impassive throughout the show, even during the most hilarious moments when my girlfriend was in stitches. There's no accounting for taste, after all.

Even though I may feel that every woman and most men (gay, straight, and even bi, like myself) should see this play, the truth is that Ensler's subject matter is clearly not for everyone. Just as Ensler spoke with women to gather material for her book, it would be interesting to talk to women after they have seen the show and draw observations on how women see themselves and like or dislike others who talk about their private parts.

The genesis for Ensler's act is explained in the first few minutes. From atop her high chair, she says, "I was worried about vaginas. I was worried about what we think about vaginas, and even more worried that we don't think about them." As a result, she interviewed hundreds of women: "old women, young women, married women, single women, lesbians, college professors, actors, corporate professionals, sex workers, African-American women, Hispanic women, Asian-American women,

Native American women, Caucasian women, Jewish women."

She adds, "At first, women were reluctant to talk. They were a little shy. But once they got going, you couldn't stop them."

This play is her retelling of those monologues complete with Ensler's expert imitation of the women's voices and body language.

She doesn't reveal her secret of how she pulled off so many interviews about vaginas, but perhaps her methodology doesn't matter. The important thing is that they did talk, and did so from the heart. The material runs the emotional gamut from perversely humorous to thoughtfully introspective and chillingly haunting.

After talking about the "hair issue," she runs down a list of responses to two questions she posed to the women she spoke with: "If your vagina

got dressed, what would it wear? If your vagina could talk, what would it say?" Even if you have trouble coming up with

an honest answer for yourself (I know I would have difficulties if someone asked me what my penis would say or wear), the answers that Ensler recites show an amazingly varied and creative range of responses.

Later she pulls out all the stops when she proudly riffs on use of "cunt" and runs through a list of imaginative synonyms for vagina, from pussy to coochi and beyond.

If this sounds like standup comedy, that's because it is, although Ensler remains seated throughout. The seriousness of the monologues is interspersed with comedic touches so that the audience won't get too depressed. A couple stories are grueling to listen to.

This is not a play for children. Yet having said that, I must admit I was stunned by one monologue, called "I Asked A Six-Year-Old Girl." If that girl's comments are representative of anything, it's that many children appear to know more about their own bodies than adults would suspect. Indeed, perhaps more than many adults know their own bodies. It's at those moments that "The Vagina Monologues" are truly eye-opening.

I said earlier that not all

women appeared equally enthusiastic about the show. Perhaps they felt uncomfortable with Ensler "reclaiming" the word cunt. Perhaps they objected to her monologue in which a young girl is happily seduced by an older woman - in essence, a "glorification" of child molestation. Perhaps they felt sick hearing about genital mutilation ("female circumcision") in Africa or the sadistic treatment by Serbian soldiers of a Bosnian girl in a rape camp. Perhaps they just got tired of Ensler's obsession with vaginas. (Why all the vagina facts?)

They might have a valid point, but then what's the purpose of art if it doesn't shake one's sense of complacency now and then? Ensler's work is not without its flaws and pretensions, and some of her comedic commentaries and diatribes about gynecological exams and tampons may not be wholly original, but "The Vagina Monologues" remains an important vehicle for asserting women's command over their own bodies. This is something that men take for granted and don't realize that women do not always have that option.

Whether it's a New York businesswoman constricted by her cosmopolitan business attire or an Afghani woman

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Author Eve Ensler assumes varied engaging personalities in "The Vagina Monologues" now performing in San Francisco at Alcazar Theatre through December 3. She interviewed hundreds of women on what they think of their vaginas to compile the stories she tells.

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eating ice cream in secret because it's illegal for her to do so per religious edicts, the story is clear: Ensler wants women to wake up to the plight of women around the world. She believes it all starts with reclaiming the vagina. Only after women truly understand that space will they have the grounding to go onward and correct the other inequalities that women endure.

If this sounds polemical, that's because it is. Ensler's show is unabashedly feminist and political. Yet I must say with some relief that it's not anti-men. "Modern men" or "sensitive dudes" are not the only guys who will appreciate the show.

"The Vagina Monologues" has attracted so much attention because of the many celebrities who have performed in it. Usually grouped in threes, they share the reading of the monologues. These women have included Gillian Anderson, Glenn Close, Cate Blanchett, Winona Ryder, Susan Sarandon, Whoopi Goldberg, Marisa Tomei, Rosie Perez, Lily Tomlin, Kate Winslett, Melanie Griffith, Brooke Shields, Ricki Lake, Gina Gershon, and Calista Flockhart. That's quite a variety of personalities.

Although it might be nice to see well-known faces on stage, I think it's a plus that San Francisco's performance features a solo Ensler. After all, she is the writer so we get to see the real thing. She truly practices what she preaches and readily

admits that she has new things to learn, beliefs to expand, and territories to explore. Her show is really a work in progress.

If nothing else, seeing "The Vagina Monologues" gives you something interesting to tell friends and coworkers (or parents!) afterwards. It's not often that you can say "vagina" in public while feigning innocence.

The day after I saw the show, I told some coworkers about a very interesting performance I'd seen the night before. Just as they were asking me what I'd seen, the company president walked by and stopped so he could listen in.

"I saw 'The Vagina Monologues,'" I said cheerfully. "It was a lot of fun." "What did you say?" he asked nervously.

"He saw 'The Vagina Monologues!'" explained a female coworker. "I've heard a lot about it and can't wait to see it."

"I thought that's what you said," he responded, walking away and shaking his head and probably wondering what's with young people these days.

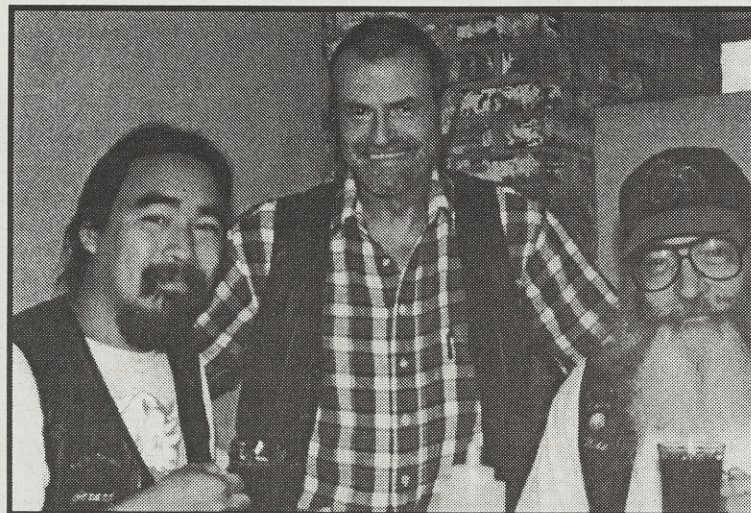
"The Vagina Monologues" runs through December 3 at Alcazar Theatre (650 Geary Street, San Francisco). Tickets are \$30-\$45. Call 415-433-9500 for more information. Also visit the official Web site at www.vaginamonologues.com for more show info, a chat board, and other links. Eve Ensler's best-selling book, also called "The Vagina Monologues", is published by Villard Books. ▼

Leathermen Flip Pancakes For Local Charities

SACRAMENTO, CA – The Sacramento Valley Leathermen have raised over \$1550 to benefit nine separate charities. On the second Sunday of every month they have hosted a breakfast buffet at Faces Nightclub (2000 K Street).

They have already raised \$600 for Positive Gourmet, a service providing meals for about seventy HIV-positive people per month. The Leathermen's next goal is to raise \$500 for Breaking Barriers. They have also donated proceeds to the Lambda Center, Samaritan Center, Lavender Library And Archives, CGNIE, Rainbow Festival, and Sacramento AIDS Foundation.

They have planned one more breakfast on December 9. Info. 338-3760, svl_club@yahoo.com ▼



Valley Knights Secretary Mike Walker, Sacramento Valley Leathermen President Bill Kameron, and Valley Knights Road Captain Gerard Wing enjoying pancakes on the balcony of Faces Nightclub. The Leathermen host a pancake breakfast the second Sunday of every month to benefit local charities.

State Future: Optimistic

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Remaining state election results are as follows:

Candidate	Office	Result
Robert Gomer	City Council of Cathedral City	Lost
Greg Pettis	City Council of Cathedral City	Won
Rebecca Kaplan	Oakland City Council	Lost
Mark Leno	San Francisco Board of Supervisors	Runoff
Juanita Owens	San Francisco Board of Supervisors	Runoff
Stephen Herman	San Francisco Board of Education	Lost
Patrick McGuire	Santa Monica College Board of Trustees	Pending
Frank Tierney	Coronado City Council	Lost
Ken Yeager	San Jose City Council	Won

National results are as follows:

State	Candidate	Office	Result
Arizona	Jim Kolbe	State House	Won
Arizona	Steve May	State House	Won
Connecticut	Patrick Flaherty	State House	Won
Connecticut	Evelyn Mantilla	State House	Won
Georgia	Karla Drenner	State House	Won
Illinois	Larry McKeon	State House	Won
Illinois	Tom Chiola	Cook County Circuit Judge	Won
Maine	Judy Powers	State Senate	Pending
Maine	Catherine Woodard	State Senate	Pending
Massachusetts	Cheryl Jacques	State Senate	Won
Massachusetts	Jarrett Barrios	State House	Won
Michigan	Chris Kolb	State House	Won
Minnesota	Terrell Brown	State Senate	Lost
Minnesota	Scott Dibble	State House	Won
Nevada	Elizabeth Wachsmann	Clark County District Court Judge	Lost
Nevada	David Parks	State Assembly	Won
New Hampshire	Rick Trombly	State Senate	Pending
New Hampshire	Nick Panagopolous	State House	Won
New York	Tom Hroncich	State Assembly	Lost
North Carolina	Julia Boseman	New Hanover County Commission	Pending
Rhode Island	Mike Pisaturo	State House	Won
Texas	Margo Frasier	Travis County Sheriff	Won
Vermont	Ed Flanagan	State Senate	Lost
Wisconsin	Tammy Baldwin	State House	Won

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SACRAMENTO, CA – Music director Joey Singer and Oscar nominated singer and actress Debbie Reynolds will present a one-time show on Saturday, December 16. The performance will begin at 7pm at The Crest Theatre (1013 K Street). All proceeds from the show will benefit Sacramento AIDS Foundation. Info. 448-2437 ext. 224 ▼

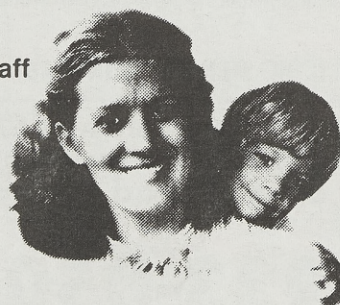
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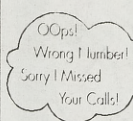
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"Dead Man Walking" A Big Hit At SFO

By Wayne R. Anderson

MGW/Staff

This season's world premiere of "Dead Man Walking" has aroused considerable attention. Composer **Jake Heggie** is best known as a writer of songs and song cycles for well-known singers such as **Frederica von Stade**.

During the mid-1990s, while he was working in the San Francisco Opera (SFO) press office and composing on the side, **Lotfi Mansouri** suggested that he collaborate with the prolific **Terrence McNally** ("The Lisbon Traviata," "Master Class," "Corpus Christi," and much more) on a new opera.

The result, "Dead Man Walking," opened on October 7. Its eight performance run drew SRO houses, and the company even added an extra performance to meet demand. Audience reaction has been very enthusiastic - cheers and standing ovations, including October 28, the night that I saw it. Press reaction has been mixed but generally positive.

The opera is based on the true-life experiences of **Sister Helen Prejean**, a Catholic nun who in 1982 became the spiritual adviser to a couple of death-row inmates in Louisiana. In 1993 she published her account of these encounters experiences in the book "Dead Man Walking," which two years later was turned into a highly praised **Tim Robbins** movie starring **Susan Sarandon** and **Sean Penn**.

The opera, which follows the movie instead of the book, conflates a number of the characters, so that the plot concentrates on **Joseph de Rocher** who has been convicted of murdering two teenagers.

Unlike the movie, the opera

opens with the brutal murder of the teens, so the audience never has any doubts about de Rocher's guilt. As the piece progresses, Sister Helen assists de Rocher in his unsuccessful attempts to have his execution postponed. In the process she encounters the families of the murdered children.

Once his appeals are exhausted, her mission changes to one of repentance as she prods him to admit his guilt and seek forgiveness from God and the families he has

sets by **Michael Yeargan** and dramatic lighting by **Jennifer Tipton** used large nearly black-and-white rectangular blocks and dizzying projected grids to drive home the brutal inhumanity of prison.

With so much good will and effort invested in a work of potentially great significance, it is sad to report that it failed on two important counts: the music and the shortcomings of the libretto.

But such moments are relatively few.

An appallingly large amount of the important action is advanced through the most pedestrian of recitative or sustained notes that fail to develop into meaningful phrases. Time and again opportunities for dramatic writing were passed by.

The instrumental writing is even leaner. When something dramatic happens, we get either loud staccato toots or a bang on

dealt squarely with a universal theme: Should a so-called civilized society murder its citizens?

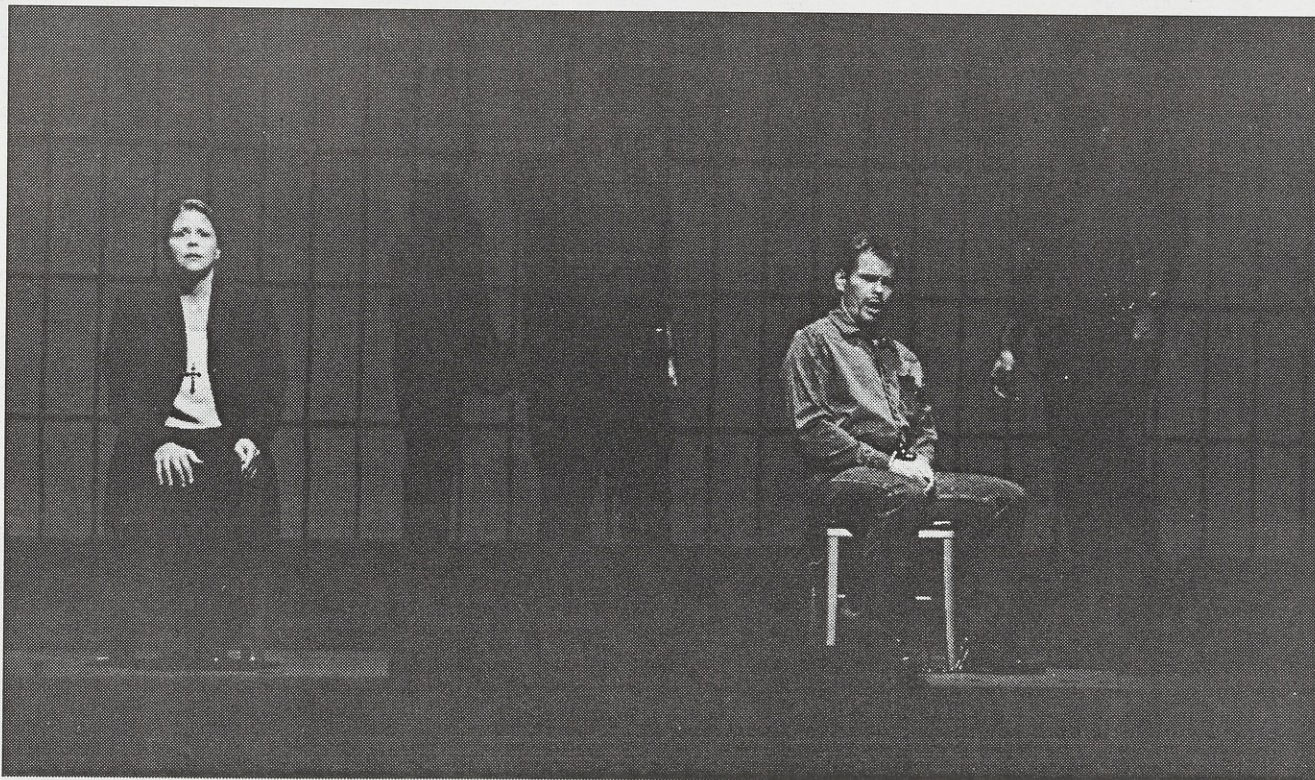
Admittedly if one reads between the lines, this theme is present and audiences will no-doubt project their own beliefs onto it. However Sister Helen goes on and on telling de Rocher that he must confess his crime for God's forgiveness and

"What about non-Christians who do not believe in a personal creator?"

because God loves him. What about people who do not believe in God? Are we to believe that only God-fearing Christians are concerned about capital punishment? In my mind, the libretto failed to rise to the true potential of the story, content instead to settle for Christian piety.

My hunch is that this opera succeeded not because of its music, but rather due to its familiar easy-to follow story, its shock effect, and its aura of dealing with "important" things. As the work now stands, I feel it will not hold up to repeated visits.

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Susan Graham as Sister Helen Prejean and John Packard as Joe de Rocher star in "Dead Man Walking," an opera based on the movie directed by Tim Robbins. Composer Jake Heggie presented the performance through San Francisco Opera

injured, which he ultimately does. This admission also settles her own turmoil because she was never quite sure if he did it or not. Despite his conviction, he always claimed innocence and she really did not know whether or not to believe him. In the final scene, he takes the long walk from his cell to the execution chamber where he is put to death by lethal injection.

SFO spared nothing to give this opera a first-class production. The cast included the well-known singing actress **Susan Graham** as Sister Helen, the fine baritone **John Packard** as de Rocher, the famous **Frederica von Stade** as de Rocher's mother among a large array of excellent artists. The **Joe Mantello** production with austere

First the music. This is not a forbidding atonal opera. It is filled with accessible melodies, even folksy tunes. But great opera is not simply a story punctuated by music. The score - both vocal and instrumental - should amplify the drama. It should tell us what the text does not. Most of the time, Heggie's music fails to do any of this.

There are some effective moments, such as de Rocher's mother's moving aria at his hearing and the following scene between Sister Helen and the parents of the victims. Also the hallucinatory scene at the end of the first act where Sister Helen is torn between the very real anguish of the victims' families and the immorality of killing the criminal in retribution.

the drums, but for the rest, the orchestra makes little significant contribution to the opera.

Conductor **Patrick Summers** was dedicated, but for a three-hour opera, he had very little important music to conduct. Perhaps when Heggie gains more writing experience after a commission from Houston, he will revise this, his first, opera. Verdi certainly was not above such things.

The story is certainly a compelling one, and watching the inexorable movement toward de Rocher's execution, culminating in his lethal injection and death onstage, cannot help but rivet an audience.

Should we ask for more? Yes, I think so. The opera could have

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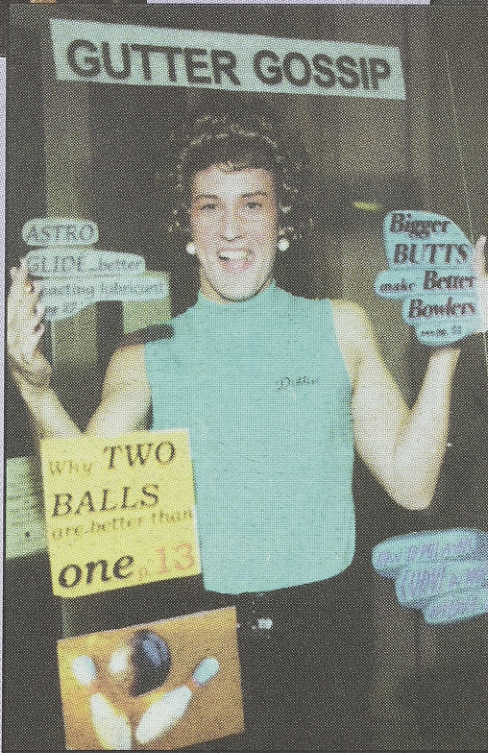


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OUT IN THE GARDEN

Planning Compost For A Richer Spring Garden

By Robert Hamm
MGW Staff

SACRAMENTO, CA – Even though November is the start of our "winter" season, it often still has a lot of bloom in it depending on how our weather is behaving.

Some plants can almost always be counted on for November color. *Salvia leucanthe*, *Salvia elegans*, and *Salvia regia* and a number of others are still in bloom for at least the first half of the month.

A good source of organic matter and a great winter mulch for the garden is falling off trees right now: leaves. Smaller leaves like Elm, Chinese Pistache, and Silver Maple can be left in place to rot as mulch. Large leaves like Sycamore mat down and smother plants underneath. They should be shredded or composted before use in the garden.

Leaves are full of nutrients absorbed by tree roots and will release these as they decay. Additionally, they add organic matter to the soil, which holds water and improves texture. Since Sacramento has curbside pickup of leaves, a trip around your neighborhood can

produce a pickup load of leaves for composting.

A layer of leaves rototiled in a new garden or next year's veggie garden will add valuable organic matter and nutrients, plus it is much cheaper than peatmoss. If you prefer to let others do your composting, the city will sell their compost to you.

Speaking of composting, fall is a good time to start a compost pile. You can do as I do and simply cut plants into smaller pieces, let dead weeds dry, and place the mixture on the ground around plants.

This creates "leaf litter" you find in natural woodlands. Actually, most forests become dry and barren if their overgrowth and litter are removed because the soil itself is very poor and has few nutrients. Tropical rainforests tend to have this problem.

When using this method, however, remember leaf litter does not produce heat, so it will not kill seeds like a compost pile. Grass should be avoided and weeds that root readily, such as Bermuda grass, should be thoroughly dried. Info. 391-4793 ▼

End Of The Year Reminders

By Robert Hamm
MGW Staff

If you are planning on starting your garden in the fall or winter, remember.

1. The sun is low in the sky and casts long shadows. The shady area you plant now may be full sun in mid-summer!
2. Almost all shade plants will survive winter sun and most sun lovers will tolerate winter shade. This is a natural cycle, after all, and coincides with most sun lovers dormant period.
3. You can still seed California poppies and other native plants, but they may be later blooming.
4. Potted bulbs make a great holiday gift. Bulbs are still available from the SAF summer plant sales.
5. Do not put cuttings down now. Wait until the end of December. Soil chemistry for growth is all wrong in November and early December. ▼



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SACRAMENTO, CA - If you are interested in purchasing garden-theme greeting cards and plants from Sacramento AIDS Foundation (SAF) fundraiser sales, they are still available.

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By Randy Jamison
MGW Staff

Pets are often left behind during an emergency, not by choice but inadvertently or by necessity. If you are evacuating due to flooding, fire, a gas or sewage leak, you may not have time or opportunity to gather up your pets. There are several things you need to think about to plan ahead for this eventuality.

What would you do with your pet even if you were lucky enough to find him or her in time to take them with you? Did you know that evacuation sites do not permit pets to be brought inside? Do you know what you would do? Do you have family or friends who would be able to keep your pets until you were able to return home? What about kennels or veterinarians?

Develop a few alternatives that would provide you with the peace of mind of knowing that your pet is being cared for in an emergency.

If your pet is lost or stolen, this can be an agonizing experience. Yet most people fail to put any kind of identification on their pets to ensure their safe return home. Sadly, only about

16% of lost dogs and 2% of lost cats at shelters are ever reunited with their owners.

An ID tag on your pet's collar is essential, since anyone can use it to send your pet home. The tag should include your name, address, phone number (day and evening is best), and the pet's name. If you're willing to pay a reward, then put the word reward on the tag too. Put the number (day and night) of a friend on another tag if you're traveling. For a name tag that lasts longer, try either the gold-plated, stainless steel or brass name tags or plates.

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control agencies, veterinary clinics, and research labs to quickly identify a code which, when the database is called, will identify you as the owner.

However, tattoos and microchips only work if information stored at the database is current.

In addition to ID methods on your pets, keep clear photos of them handy, along with a written description of their appearance. This will aid you and others in searching for your lost friend. ▼

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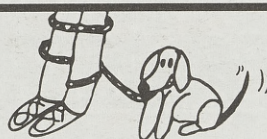
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PATHARI VILLAGE, NEPAL - Classmates Maya Tamang, 18, and Indira Rai, 17, were handed over to police by their relatives after the women announced that they "were happy with one another" and would "not marry with boys in the future." Authorities confirm that they were not formally arrested nor charged with a crime, but were released only after signing a statement promising that they would separate to prevent "spreading a bad impression in society," according to Police Sub-Inspector Basudev Bhattarai. Info. 977-1-231256, rajendra@jhapa.info.com.np ▼

Work Starts To Extend Civil Rights

KINGSTON, JAMAICA - The legal battle to have sexual orientation added to the country's non-discrimination policy has begun by Jamaican Forum Of Lesbians, All Sexuals, and Gays (J-FLAG). Male sexual relations are currently illegal, but the group hopes that an amendment make it possible to overturn existing sodomy laws. Info. jflag@hotmail.com ▼

LGBT Publications Censored

BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA - For the third time in two years the Ratings Commission has pulled NX Magazine, an LGBT publication. Issue 72 was first removed from circulation then allowed to be sold after remaining copies were sealed

in bags. The commission cited pictures of "two men too close to one another" as the reason for their decision. NX Magazine editors claim the commission's criteria have never been made public so they have no idea what is acceptable. Info. nexo@nexo.org ▼

Court Issues Verdict For Gay Widow

BOGOTA, COLUMBIA - Harold and Dagoberto lived as a couple for over five years until Dagoberto's death from HIV in 1998. Although Dagoberto's family refused to see or speak to him for several years, they took possession of their shared apartment and property after he died claiming that Harold could not be the legal owner since their relationship was not legally recognized. Family Court 6 ruled against Dagoberto's family and returned the property to Harold. It was the first time a Family Court had recognized inheritance rights of LGBT couples. Info. ghrinconperfetti@hotmail.com ▼

Press Council Encourages Attacks On Lesbians

COLOMBO, SRI LANKA - The Press Council dismissed a complaint filed by Companions On A Journey, an LGBT rights organization, against an article that urged more restrictions on lesbians and proposed that police release convicted rapists at a national lesbian conference. The Council endorsed the views in their decision writing the rapists might "give zest and relish to

misguided wretches to understand the reality of natural sexual pleasure." Info. coj@sri.lanka.net, daniel@iglhc.org ▼

Police Thwart LGBT Pride March

GUAYAQUIL, ECUADOR - Fundación Amigos Por La Vida gathered approximately 300 people for a LGBT Pride March in June, but the event was cancelled when Police Chief Guayas Governor ordered the group to disperse stating that "society was not sufficiently educated to accept them." Governor previously approved of the march, but directed sixty officers to surround and tear gas the crowd at their starting point. Info. famivida@yupimail.com ▼

All Registered Couples Allowed To Adopt

NAVARRA, SPAIN - Parliament in the autonomous region passed a

resolution allowing all registered couples, including LGBT, to adopt children. During debates on the law, members of ruling political party Union del Pueblo Navarro expressed dangers LGBT parents would pose to children, but the Parliament was not swayed. The bill also provided for LGBT inheritance rights, tax breaks, and increased access to state and federal pensions. Info. jgpresidente@parlamento-navarra.es ▼

Beaters Of Man Sent To Trial

SAO PAULO, BRAZIL - Edson Neris da Silva, 35, died after being beaten by a group of approximately thirty Neo-Nazis. Eighteen members of the gang were arrested at a nearby bar, but seven were minors and could not be detained or charged with a crime. The remaining sixteen men and two women were charged with triply aggravated homicide including a hate crime, attempted murder of da Silva's companion, and creation of an armed gang. Penalties range from 22 to 56 years. Info. www.ggb.org.br ▼

Long Beach Wants Police Recruits

LONG BEACH, CA - Vice Mayor Dan Baker is looking for individuals to apply for available police recruit positions. Baker hopes to build a diverse police department to increase their effectiveness in the city. The application deadline is December 15 and examinations are scheduled for January 4 at the Long Beach Convention Center. Info. 562-570-7126, 800-934-LBPD ▼

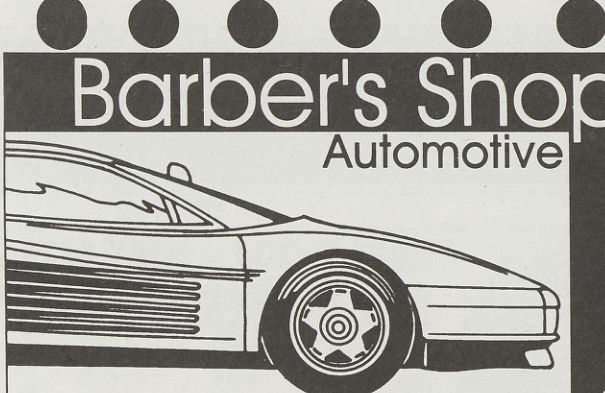
"FaT Girl" Publishers Seek Articles

BERKELEY, CA - Sondra Solovay and Max Airborne, former publisher of "FaT Girl: The Zine For Fat Dykes And The Women Who Want Them" has announced a call for submissions for their upcoming book "Spawn Of Fat Girl." Although the book will bare no relation to their zine, the thinking and theories are the same. Poetry, fiction, non-fiction, art, and ideas related to body and lesbian issues are welcome. Info. SpawnOfFatGirl@hotmail.com, LutsyDevil.com/spawn ▼

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HRC Announces Gala Location

CENTURY CITY, CA - The Human Rights Campaign Gala, an awards ceremony honoring those that work for LGBT equality, will be held at the Westin Century Hotel on February 17, 2001. In December the group will announce award nominees, a keynote speaker, and prizes for their silent auction fundraiser. Info. 310-201-5033, www.hrc.org ▼

Bolerium Issues 25th Catalog

SAN FRANCISCO, CA - Bolerium Books has released its 25th LGBT Studies

catalog containing fiction, history, photography, poetry, theater, and pulp novels. It contains over 950 items including British authors John Addington Symonds and Edward Carpenter, gay anarchist John Henry Mackay, and signed works by writers ranging from Andre Gide to Billy Farout. Info. www.bolerium.com, 800-326-6353 ▼

Transgender Symposium Scheduled

LOS ANGELES, CA - Social service providers who serve transgender youths are

invited to attend an informational conference on Friday, November 17 at Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel (7000 Hollywood Blvd.) in Los Angeles. There is no cost for tuition, meal, and materials provided. Workshops will cover definitions of transgender youth, medical, mental health, and legal issues, and outreach strategies. Info. 323-669-2390 ▼

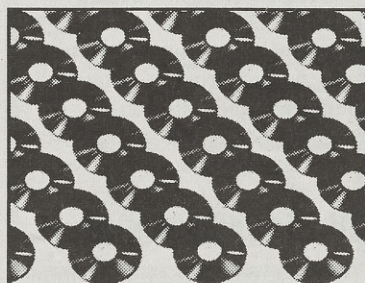
Baptists With Hold Funds

CORPUS CHRISTI, TX - Over 2 million Baptists withdrew \$5 million in

funding from the Southern Baptist Convention on the grounds that the denomination is too conservative. Southern Baptists do not allow female pastors, encourage women to submit to their husbands and sons, and lead a boycott of Disney when the company began offering domestic partner benefits. Former President Jimmy Carter also recently broke his ties to the denomination due to their right wing image. Info. www.sbc.net ▼

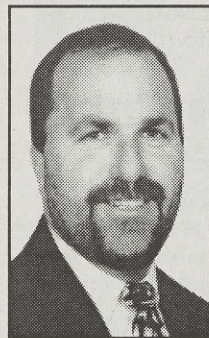
Partner Benefits For Journalists

COLUMBUS, OH - Society Of Professional Journalists (SPJ) approved a resolution calling for news organizations to provide equal benefits for domestic partners of LGBT employees. The measure approved by an 85 to 36 vote at their national convention in October. Dissenting opinions believed SPJ should not involve itself in employment matters such as benefits. www.spj.org ▼



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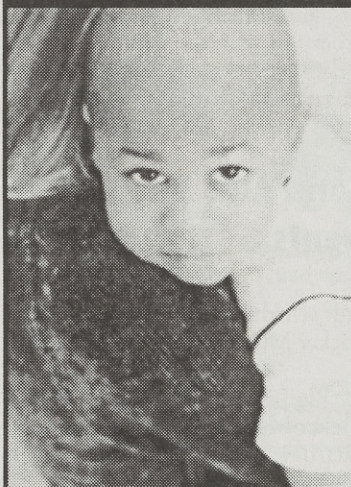


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ON THE HIV FRONT

By Sonya Cox
AIDS/HIV Editor

New terms to become familiar with...

STI cycles and SITs aren't yet part of our daily vocabulary, but we'll likely hear more about them in the future as their importance is evaluated and tested. Growing attention has been focused on Structured Treatment Interruptions (STIs) and Structured Intermittent Therapy (SIT). As more researchers have come to acknowledge that current treatments will likely not eradicate HIV, attention is being focused on how to make our current meds last for years longer, with a minimum of problems with issues such as side effects, adherence, treatment failure, impact of these toxic drugs on the body's organs, and lifetime costs of the drugs. Effective long-term treatment that's temporary or intermittent would be one way to achieve these multiple goals. A realistic goal of on-going studies would be, for instance, to have people safely and effectively taking their meds one week on, and one week off. This could help with adherence to the tricky time schedules, reduce the likelihood of side effects, and cut the costs in half.

Most of the studies to date have been small and exploratory in nature, with participants being intensely monitored by their physicians due to HIV's ability to mutate at the slightest provocation. One on-going European SIT study is looking at whether carefully planned bursts of timed treatment can sustain viral control. A second SIT study in this country had eight people use a cycle of 7 days on drugs, and 7 days off. After 14 weeks, seven of the eight maintained viral loads under 500 copies (this result is very small and preliminary, but encouraging). A third US study with 3 people tried two days on drugs and 5 days off. At the end of 14 weeks, only one of the 3 had encouraging results (the original viral loads of the other two volunteers returned after they went back on their regular drug therapy).

An STI study with 35 people trying two months on drugs and one month off suggests that over time there is lower rebound after each interruption, with the STI response similar to that of a vaccination, allowing the immune system to become used to fighting the virus and doing the

work it was intended to do. Some researchers feel the immune system of a person with HIV can still fight invading virus and disease if it's allowed to do so at a pace that accommodates its impacted status.

Much gratitude goes to all those who have volunteered over the years to test these unknowns so that answers can be found. Do not make any changes to your meds on your own, and in fact if you miss a dose even once every month or two, be certain to report this to your physician at your next appointment.

Viramune rash?...

Recent findings suggest that rash treatment prednisone taken prior to starting Viramune (Nevirapine) can minimize the rash that often accompanies Nevirapine. The researchers found that the risk of developing Nevirapine rash is higher among those who have previously been on other HIV therapies, compared to those starting Nevirapine as part of their first treatment regimen. The study conclusions therefore suggest that those who are switching to Viramune/Nevirapine are at increased risk of rash and may want to be pre-treated with prednisone, rather than waiting to see if a rash occurs. It's thought that Benadryl is also effective in reducing the likelihood of developing, or reducing the severity of, a Viramune rash, but this drug has not yet been the subject of an official study.

Viral load blips?...

Many folks on HIV therapies occasionally experience viral load "blips," where the viral load briefly increases and then falls back again. The significance of the blips was not known, and physicians originally feared they might be early signs of upcoming drug resistance or drug failure. But after monitoring the phenomenon with 241 people for a year and a half, it has been concluded that an occasional blip has little or no impact on the long-term control of the viral load. ("Occasional" is defined as approximately two in an 18-month period, and "blips" are defined as being in the neighborhood of 50 to 200 copies. Numbers higher than that, especially numbers that move into the thousands, are not blips, and need to be addressed by you and your physician at your next appointment.)

Growing number of priests with AIDS...

The *Kansas City Star* has identified over 300 AIDS-related deaths among priests nationwide, using death certificates and interviews with family members and colleagues; however, the actual number is unknown. According to the *Star*, the AIDS death rate among priests in 14 states is more than two times that of adult males in the general population 25 years of age and over. Rev. Jim Walsh of the National Catholic Educational Association said he was surprised by the data, which he said reflect a "need to talk about celibacy." The National Federation of Priests' Councils is creating a new document concerning how dioceses should respond to priests with AIDS, and a study endorsed by the National Conference of Catholic Bishops will examine problems faced by priests in their first five years after ordination. According to Brother Bernard Stratman, director of the federation, more priests are needing treatment for chemical, alcohol abuse, personality problems, and sexuality dysfunctions. Earlier this year, the Church of England acknowledged that 25 of its priests had died from AIDS-related causes.

World AIDS Day Quilt events...

****Nov 27 - Dec 2 - AIDS Quilt** scheduled for display at Crocker Museum (484-5646)

****Dec 1 - World AIDS Day Vigil** scheduled to be at Crocker Museum, with participants viewing AIDS Quilt inside Crocker after ceremony (443-3299, x-1303)

****Dec 3 - 16 - AIDS Quilt** scheduled for display at Sacramento Ballet Studios, 17th and J (484-5646)

Is mom widowed or single?...

People over 50 now account for 10% of all AIDS cases, and these older Americans - many of whom are unaware that they are at risk - face unique challenges in terms of treatment and prevention. Treating AIDS in the elderly is difficult due to other health conditions and possible drug interactions, and there is little research to guide treatment decisions. Studies indicate that older women know far less about HIV than younger women, and a

University of North Carolina study suggests that 4.5 million American women over 40 engage in behaviors that might put them at risk for HIV. The Centers for Disease Control reports that 78,000 people 50 years of age and older have developed AIDS, approximately 10,000 of whom were over the age of 65.

Once-a-day Videx approved...

Bristol-Meyers has been authorized to sell a new once-a-day formula of its HIV treatment Videx (DDI) that causes fewer adverse events, such as diarrhea. This will make Videx EC the only HIV treatment drug currently available in a once-daily formula. Providing simple HIV dosing schedules has become increasingly important, as people are required to take several drugs at different times of the day, and non-compliance can result in increased drug resistance.

HIV hides in kidneys...

Researchers from the Mount Sinai School of Medicine in New York studying HIV-positive African Americans who had kidney disease say they detected evidence of on-going HIV activity in their kidneys, even when the virus was suppressed to undetectable levels in the blood's T-cells using anti-retroviral therapy. If other cells besides T cells carry HIV, then additional treatments and meds will have to be developed.

Depression increases risky sex...

The program director of Australia's Care & Prevention Program says they've found that sexually active gay men with long-term, low-grade depression are more likely to have unsafe sex than gay or heterosexual men without depression. After studying over 400 gay men who were assessed for depression and sexual behaviors, the researchers found that one-quarter of the program enrollees had chronic moderate depression, and 40 percent of these men reported engaging in unsafe sex within the past six months.

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HEALTH & WELLNESS

More Of The Green Eyed Monsters

By Lydia Frances, LCSW
MGW Staff

Dear Dr. Love,
I am contemplating relocating and having a challenging time trusting that I can do it. What would you suggest?

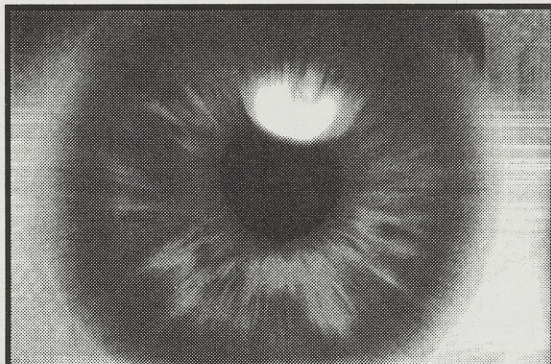
I would first recommend that you make a plan. Decide where you want to relocate, visit the place, address housing and employment needs - a fact finding and information gathering visit.

Then return home and digest the information. You may want to do this more than once. Identify a time frame or goal as to when you want to relocate. Then, begin to take the necessary steps - finding housing, employment, etc.

I would suggest writing down all the things you want - location, activities, weather, air quality, employment opportunities - anything that is important to you in where you want to live. Each day read your list and reinforce those qualities you want, and you will eventually discover that place.

Each day, also, reaffirm your desire to relocate and trust in

yourself and the universe to provide. This could be in the form of a meditation or mantra or simply writing it down each day. As you put your energy towards trust, it will build.



about six months and initially things were different. We are falling back into our same patterns, namely he ignores issues that I bring up. Our sex life is stagnant and unsatisfying. I am the motivator for change and he just follows along. I feel frustrated and uncertain about where to go from here.

First, identify your part of the pattern that you see yourself repeating and that you would like to change. Do you want to continue to bring things up? Do you want to continue to be the motivator for change?

What part of the pattern in your sexual life is yours and are you willing and able to address that and change it? In changing patterns in relationship, you can only be responsible for looking at and changing yours. You cannot change his. Next, look at the motivation behind the patterns - you mention that you bring up issues - is this a familiar way of being in relationship? Is it a

pattern in other relationships? In what way is this comfortable and familiar to you? What beliefs do you hold about what that means about you and about him that you bring up issues and he ignores them? Address your contribution to the patterns in this way and you will gain clarity and insight as to your behavior and then be able to change your part of the pattern. Be willing to honestly look at yourself and what you are willing to do to change the patterns. Are you really willing and wanting to change your part of the pattern or do you simply want him to change to make you comfortable?

As I said, you cannot change his part. However, you can communicate with him what you discover about yourself and the solutions you arrive at. I would recommend that you enlist the support of a counselor or spiritual adviser so that that person becomes the person to bring up issues and it takes you out of that role. If your partner is not willing to see someone, then go on your own and address your issues.

Lydia (Mendota) Frances, LCSW is a psychotherapist in private practice and a fellow seeker along the path. She has been practicing for 10 years in Sacramento, California. Email her at lfrances@earthlink.net or call her at 538-0254 with your questions.

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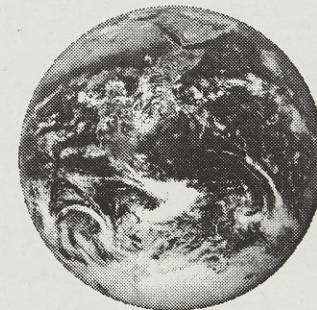
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TECHNOLOGY

If The People Lead, The Leaders Still Won't Care

By Nicole Macshafi
MGW Staff

According to Webster's New Collegiate, democracy means "government by the people." I consider myself one of those people, so why am I so worried about the affect a single individual is going to have on our country? Why am I convinced that one man is going to cause irreparable harm to my life by not "allowing" me to make my own choices? Why hasn't America elected a female president, vice president, or even achieved a decent percentage of women in Congress? How come same sex couples in the Netherlands get hitched and divorced just like heterosexual couples but certain folks in Utah think it's a good idea to send me to jail just for saying that being LGBT isn't all that bad?

As the ultimate shocker, our by the people government isn't even elected by popular vote. A mysterious group called the electoral college looks at the overall percentage of votes cast per candidate, then they are supposed to cast their vote accordingly. But only 24 states require electors to cast their vote according to popular results. This means that an elector can legally override popular figures and vote for their favorite.

Also, residents of U.S. Territories can not vote but still have to live with the results. What ever happened to no taxation without representation? Call me young and naive, but I don't think this is fair. Read all about the injustices at NARA.gov.

• **Turkeys Have Rights Too**
If you are vegan or vegetarian holidays can be sort of rough. Between turkey, ham, and beef served at most meals you probably

have to bring your own dish.

VegKitchen.com offers a Thanksgiving menu that will satisfy even the most stubborn carnivore at your table. **Culinary.com** lists over 73,000 recipes, many of which are meatless or can be adapted.

• **Cooking.com** is a great standby. Their recipe database is easy to search and browse. I suggest making seitan. It sounds a lot more difficult then it really is and the results are to die for.

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• 1. Find it ten minutes ago!: With over 1.2 billion cataloged web sites at your disposal, **Google.com** is the best search engine ever. If you haven't felt lucky or accessed one of their cached pages, you just haven't lived. **EGroups** even hosts a listserv for the hopelessly Google addicted.
• 2. Internet radio. It's definitely worth the bandwidth. You can check out the latest Big Band, baroque, and Brit pop with the click of a mouse. For all the information you'll need try **InternetRadioList.com**. My personal suggestions (in order) are **Spinner**, **NetRadio**, **Broadcast**

Yahoo!, and **RadioAlice**.

• 3. Can They Teach Us To Walk On Water?: Maybe a mass exodus of LGBT people from AOL will make everyone realize that we are everywhere, intelligent, and won't be stepped on anymore. After **Stephen Case**, AOL's chairman, and his wife **Jean** donated a whopping \$8.35 million to a school that runs a sexual orientation conversion program I, ideally, expected everyone to put their money where there mouse is. In reality, LGBT civil rights organizations (and you KNOW who you are) are not concerned with funding a company that finances Exodus International.

• 4. **Download.CNET.com**: If your computer can't do it, chances are they have the proper script, plug-in, or program to give you the power. Plus they aren't platform phobic offering plenty of resources for Linux and MAC.

• 5. **Diaryland.com**: Unlike most diary sites, this one is well organized, has a more mature demographic, is completely anonymous, and most of the writers are fiction serials not

actual diaries. Try **Postalworker**, **BradPitt**, and **I-Hate-Milk**. The owner's diary is **Andrew**.

• 6. Electronic cards. **Emil** is simply incomplete without e-cards. **BlueMountain.com**, **Amazon.com**, and **E-Cards.com** have the best selection and will not sell your e-mail address to other companies.

• 7. **NYTimes.com**: All the news that's fit to upload. Being generous people, they will even e-mail customized text reports and updates on breaking news to you.

• 8. **Art.com**: I don't mean shopping, either. They have scanned and provided histories on thousands of paintings and prints. It's an extremely thorough easily searchable art gallery. If you are lacking inspiration, this is the place to find out what the experts did.

• 9. **The Last Free Frontier**: **Hillary Clinton** opposed **Congressman Schnell's** Bill 602-P, which would levy a federal tax of 5 cents on e-mail messages. So did her opponent **Rick Lazio**. What's funny is that neither the bill nor Schnell actually exist. Besides the fact that neither candidate had a clue, it does remind me that the internet is the last unregulated, untaxed, and uncensored area of society. This could change in October 2001 when H.R. 3709

expires allowing states to explore new taxes. However, H.R. 1291, explicitly banned the Federal Communications Commission from imposing per minute access fees. By the way, Hillary won!

• 10. **Watch Dog Groups**: Thank goodness for **PubliCampaign.org** and **Ouch!** Their well researched bi-weekly reports on government corruption, soft money, and corporate welfare reaffirm my doubts in capitalism. They run a listserv (majordomo@ouch.org) and archive their articles and press releases. Plus **Working Assets** customers can donate to them.

• 11. **Quoteland.com**: For when you care enough to plagiarize the very best. This site is a fully searchable catalog of thousands of quotes.


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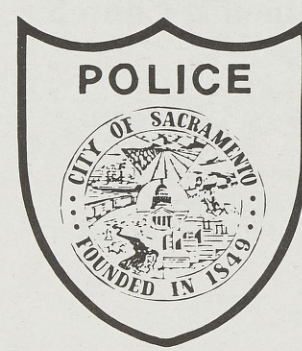
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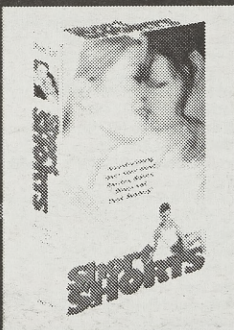
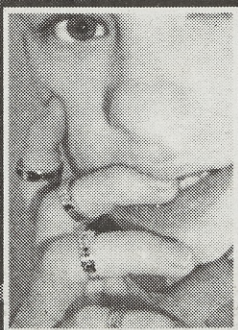


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CALENDAR

November 18 SATURDAY

GSGRA ROYALTY CONTEST, Palm Springs, 737-7610
HOLIDAY TASTING FAIR, 11am, Wild Oats, 5104 Arden Way, Carmichael, 481-1955
LGBT SIERRANS HIKE, Mount Tam, 421-6209
LLACE OPEN HOUSE, 12pm, 1414 21st St., 492-0558
LOTUS VALLEY NURSERY SALE, thru Nov. 19, 5606 Petersen Ln., 530-626-7021
MARACA & LOS CAMPAS, 8pm, Argent Hotel Metropolitan Ballroom, 50 3rd St., 415-202-9700
SAC. PD MILLENNIAL BALL, 5pm, Convention Cen-



Maraca and Los Campas will perform live at The Mexican Museum's celebration of their 25th anniversary on Saturday, November 18.

ter Ballroom 3rd Floor, 264-8479
SAF GARDEN CLOSING, 429-9315
TURKEY TROT, Davis, 975-8199
VOICES OF MALI: HABIB KOITE & OUMOU SANGARE, 8pm, Freeborn Hall, UC Davis, 530-752-1915
WHAT IT'S WORTH SHOW & APPRAISAL, 8am, benefit for WEAVE, Antique Trove, 236 Harding Blvd., Roseville, 786-2777

19 SUNDAY

CITIZENS AGAINST HUMAN EXPERIMENTATION RALLY, 10am, Convention Center Rooms 202 & 203, 684-3821, www.downwinders.org
WARREN LUBICH, 2pm, Towe Auto Museum, 2200 Front St., 442-6802

20 MONDAY

DYKE SEX NUTS & BOLTS, 7pm, Fairy Butch Dynasty Estate, 415-626-8805
IN HER MOTHER'S HOUSE: POLITICS OF ASIAN-AMERICAN MOTHER-DAUGHTER WRITING, 4pm, UC Davis 3201 Hart Hall, 520-752-3372
MOTHERS OF INVENTION CONCERT, 7:30pm, CSUS Music Bldg. Rm. 151, 278-4323

21 TUESDAY

BUTCH/FEMME SEX WORKSHOP, 7pm, Fairy Butch Dynasty Estate, 415-626-8805
SAC. CITY LGBT MEETING, 7pm, Open Book, 910 21st St., 498-1004

22 WEDNESDAY

WHITE PARTY, benefit for S. FL AIDS services, thru Nov. 27, 404-892-6560, www.whiteparty.net

23 THURSDAY

ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DAY POTLUCK, 457-4116
RUN TO FEED THE HUNGRY, 7am, 974-8199, 791-4400

24 FRIDAY

MARGARET CHO, JIM SHORT, & JOSEPH ROCHA, thru Nov. 25, 9 & 11pm, Punchline SF, 415-371-5570
MUMBO GUMBO, 7pm & 9:30pm, The Palms, 726 Drummond, Davis, 530-756-9901

25 SATURDAY

THE BOBS, 8pm, The Palms, 726 Drummond, Davis, 530-756-9901
CRAFT SALE, 10am, Fair Oaks Community Center, 7997 California Ave., 987-0829
JAMES SWEENEY, 2pm, Carol's Books, 5964 S. Land Park Dr., 443-3322
SANTA PAWS, benefit for SSPCA, 10am, PETCO 1878 Arden Way, 383-7387 x9102
WOODLAND HIGH SCHOOL LGBT REUNION, 1pm, Club Coyote Roadside Den, Woodland, 530-662-8970

26 SUNDAY

MARSHA STEVENS, 10am & 6pm, Cathedral of Promise MCC, 10500 Chaplain Ave., Rancho Cordova, 364-4325
SANTA PAWS, benefit for SSPCA, 10am, PETCO, 1878 Arden Way, 383-7387 x9102
WHITE PARTY, Vizcaya, Florida, www.whiteparty.net

27 MONDAY

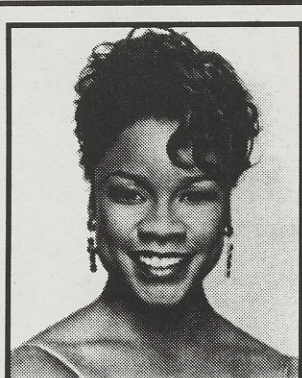
MAYOR GEORGE MOSCONE & SUPERVISOR HARVEY MILK ASSASSINATED, SF City Hall in 1978

AN ELUSIVE QUEST? STRUCTURAL ANALYSIS OF CONFLICTS & PEACE IN AFRICA, 9am & 12pm, CSUS Douglas Hall, 278-3708

DYKE SEX NUTS & BOLTS, 7pm, Fairy Butch Dynasty Estate, 415-626-8805

FRONTRUNNERS/FRONTWALKERS, 6:30pm, CSUS track, 974-8199

NAMES PROJECT AIDS QUILT, displayed thru Dec.



Mezzo-soprano Denyce Graves will perform at Sacramento Community Theater on Wednesday, November 29.

2, Crocker Museum, 216 O St., 484-5646
STANDING IN THE SHADOWS AUDITION, thru Nov. 28, 7pm, Sierra II Room 19, 2791 24th St., 366-3904

TRANS GENDERISM IN WESTERN CIVILIZATION: PREHISTORY THROUGH JOAN OF ARC, 7pm, LLACE, 1414 21st St., 498-0558

28 TUESDAY

BUTCH/FEMME SEX WORKSHOP, 7pm, Fairy Butch Dynasty Estate, 415-626-8805
COMMUNICATION ACROSS GENDER, 8:30am, UC Davis University Club, 520-752-3372

HOLIDAY ADULT VOLLEYBALL LEAGUES, Tuesdays & Thursdays thru Dec. 21, La Sierra Community Center, 5325 Engle Rd., Carmichael, 483-7826

PHILIP QUINT, 8pm, Tsakopoulos Galleria, 828 I St., 264-2893

SAC. AREA BISEXUAL NETWORK, 7:30pm, Open Book, 910 21st St., 498-1004

SURVIVING & THRIVING, graduate student support group, 12pm, UC Davis WRRC, 520-752-3372

DENYCE GRAVES LIVE, 8pm, Sac. Community Theater, 530-757-3199

FRONTRUNNERS/FRONTWALKERS, 6:30pm, McKinley Park, 974-8199

MAYOR HEATHER FARGO SWORN IN TO OFFICE, 930-9749

LANG LANG, UC Davis, 530-752-1915

WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE, discussion on parenting and graduate school, 3pm, UC Davis 3201 Hart Hall, 520-752-3372

30 THURSDAY

BALE FOLCLORICO DA BAHIA, 8pm, Sac. Community Theater, 530-752-1915

BERNARD COOPER & KAY RYAN, 7pm, Stanford Bookstore, White Plaza, 800-533-2670

December 1 FRIDAY

WORLD AIDS DAY CANDLELIGHT VIGIL, Crocker Art Museum, 216 O St., 443-3299 x1303

BACW TGIF, 6pm, Sausage Factory, 517 Castro St., 650-878-8021

BACW WINE TASTING, 6:30pm, 707-535-0565

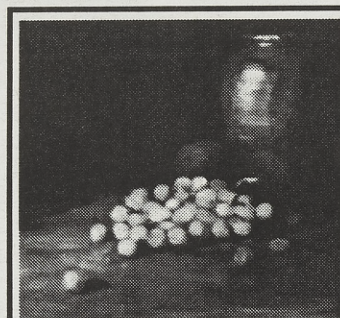
CAPRI CONFERENCE, thru Dec. 3, Reno, NV, 415-864-0831

COMMUNICATE WITH CONFIDENCE, 1pm, UC Davis, 520-752-3372

DEMOCRATIC VETERANS CAUCUS, Hyatt Regency Airport Hotel, SF, 562-424-1724

HIGH CONTRAST: SHADES OF OUR IDENTITIES, 6:30pm, Women's Building Audre Lorde Room, 3453 18th St., SF, 415-442-4726

HOLLY NEAR, 8pm, The Palms, 726 Drummond, Davis, 530-756-9901



"Thompson Seedless" by Roger B. Stephens will show through December 2 at Art Foundry Gallery.

SACWN HOLIDAY SOCIAL, 5pm, Faces, 2000 K St., 451-8034

TINY TIM CHRISTMAS VILLAGE & CRAFT FAIRE, Truckee Community Center, 530-582-7720

WORLD AIDS DAY CEREMONY, 5:30pm, Crocker Art Museum, 216 O St., 443-3299 x1303

2 SATURDAY

CAPITAL CROSSROADS ELECTIONS, The Depot, 2001 K St., 978-4040



Together since 1975, Penn and Teller will bring their act to San Francisco's Curran Theatre from November 21 to December 3.

CASHORE MARIONETTES, 1:30 & 3:30pm, Davis Varsity Theatre, 530-752-1915

CELEBRATION OF CRAFTSWOMEN, thru Dec. 3, 10am, SF Fort Mason Center, 415-383-3470

FEED, 4:30pm, Casey's Bakery & Cafe, 5140 Folsom Blvd., 974-8199

FRONTRUNNERS/FRONTWALKERS, 9am, University Ave. at Guy West Bridge, 974-8199

HOLIDAY DANCE, Montclair Women's Cultural Arts Club, Oakland, 415-392-6257

LLACE AMER. SIGN LANGUAGE CLASS, 1pm, LLACE, 1414 21st St., 492-0558

LGBT SIERRANS BIRD WATCH, Davis & Yolo Bypass, 530-668-0691

LLACE AMER. SIGN LANGUAGE CLASS, 1pm, 1414 21st St., 492-0558

PARADE OF LIGHTS, Mead Marina, Boulder City, 702-457-2797

CAPE VICTORY DINNER, Santa Monica Fairmont Hotel, LA, 562-439-7304

3 SUNDAY

BILL MANDEL, 9:30am, Forum of Unitarian-Universalist Society, 2425 Sierra Blvd., 448-9373

CA INTERNATIONAL MARATHON, www.runcim.org

HANGTOWN CHRISTMAS PARADE, Placerville, 530-622-9400

NAMES PROJECT AIDS QUILT, displayed thru Dec. 16, Sac. Ballet Studio, 17th & J St., 484-5646

"QUEER AS FOLK" PREMIERES, Showtime, 800-883-2744 x267

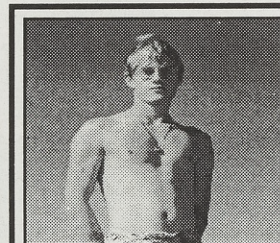
RIVER HOLIDAY, Reno, NV, 775-334-2414

WHAT THE DICKENS, bazaar, barbershop chorus, organist, 1 & 3:30pm, Towe Auto Museum, 2200 Front St., 442-6802

4 MONDAY

DYKE SEX NUTS & BOLTS, 7pm, Fairy Butch Dynasty Estate, 415-626-8805

HARRY WU, "China: Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow"



"Jimmy Stone 1971" by Mel Roberts. David Aden Gallery in Venice Beach will present "California Boys" through December 8.

Ongoing Calendar

BACW Motorcycle Group, 510-713-9408
Body Talk Support Group, 520-752-3372
Capital Crossroads Meeting, 209-728-3815
Celebrate Your Favorite Poem, 264-5970
Central United Methodist Church Women's Dance, 332-6463
Codependent Support Group, 442-0185
Contemporary Women's Authors Reading Group, 520-752-3372
CSUS Queer Student Alliance, bondawg3@yahoo.com
East Sac-Midtown Kiwanis Club Special Speakers, 614-9722
Ebony Archives Reading Group, 498-1004
Employment Law Clinic, 551-2106
Ecumenical LGBT Support Group, 530-872-3105
Fall Perennial & Bulb Sale For SAF, 429-8315
Farmers' Market, 442-8575, 442-4000
Female To Male Sacramento, 443-7534, garyr@gay.com
Fool House Poker Group, 922-6287
FrontRunners/FrontWalkers, 974-8199
Ghetto Booty at New Helvetia Cafe, 443-2230
Grothe Cammermeyer Show, GAYBC.com
Lambda Center Board Meetings, 442-0185
Lambda Center Cafe, 442-0185
Lambda Center Youth Group, 442-0185
Lavender Library Board Meetings, 492-0558
Men's Discussion Group, 442-0185
Outdoor Adventures Of Sac., 339-0731, theguys@xenic.net
Octoberfest, 642-2714
Open Book Reading Group, 498-1004
PFLAG Meeting, 978-0410
Queers In History Study Group, 492-0558, gaylelang2@aol.com
Second Saturday Art Walks, 929-7896
Sac Recorder Society, 451-7614
Sac Valley Leathermen Pancake Breakfast, 338-3760
SAF Fall Perennial & Bulb Sale, 429-8315
SF Women's Bowling League, 415-331-9644
Voice of the Valley A Capella, 487-7000
Women Out After 30, 442-0185

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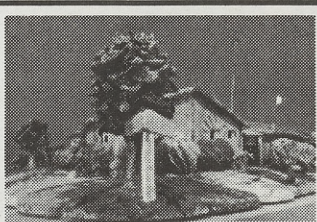
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"The Palace at 9 a.m."
by Robert Arneson.
Richard L. Nelson
Gallery will host "Alice
Street Revisited"
through December 15.

row," 8pm, UC Davis Freeborn Hall, 757-3199

5 TUESDAY

BUTCH/FEMME SEX WORKSHOP, 7pm, Fairy Butch Dynasty Estate, 415-626-8805

HARVEST FESTIVAL, Placer County Fairgrounds, Roseville, 781-7066

SILENT SLEIGH, 10:30am, La Sierra Community Center, 5325 Engle Rd., Carm., 921-1045

WILD WOMEN TAKE OFF!, Nevada Museum of Art, Reno, 775-329-3333

6 WEDNESDAY

VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS, Nevada City, 800-655-6569

9 SATURDAY

A KNIGHT TO REMEMBER, benefit for Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, 6pm, Old Delta Building, 4238 Roseville Rd., 979-7081

529-2898

BREAK THROUGH THE LAVENDER CEILING, 10:30am, Write Connection Career Services, 1718 Sonoma Blvd., Vallejo, 800-795-9842

CELEBRATION OF CRAFTSWOMEN, thru Dec. 10, 10am, SF Fort Mason Center, 415-383-3470

DYKES OUT TOGETHER, 4pm, holiday game night, gift exchange, & potluck, 971-9337

LGBT SIERRANS HIKE, Mount Diablo, 415-551-0945

LLACE AMER. SIGN LANGUAGE CLASS, 1pm, 1414 21st St., 492-0558

QUEER DANCE, UC Berkeley, queer.berkeley.edu/dance

12 TUESDAY

BUTCH/FEMME SEX WORKSHOP, 7pm, Fairy Butch Dynasty Estate, 415-626-8805

13 WEDNESDAY

VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS, Nevada City, 800-655-6569

14 THURSDAY

CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT, thru Jan. 5, www.audubon.org

15 FRIDAY

APPLICATION DEADLINE FOR LONG BEACH POLICE RECRUIT, examination on Jan. 4, 800-934-LBPD, 562-570-7126

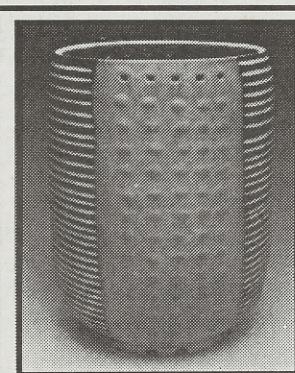
BACW DINES OUT, Strings Italian Cafe, 2601 Oakdale Rd., Modesto, 209-544-1909

DYKES OUT TOGETHER ICE CREAM SOCIAL, "The Sparrow" by Mary Doria Russell, 451-7191

16 SATURDAY

DEBBIE REYNOLDS & JOEY SINGER, 7pm, The Crest, 1013 K St., 448-2437 x224

DYKES OUT TOGETHER, B St. Theatre performance, 530-757-1940



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LUKE BREIT, 2pm, Carol's Books, 5964 S. Land Park Dr., 443-3322

17 SUNDAY

VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS, Nevada City, 800-655-6569

18 MONDAY

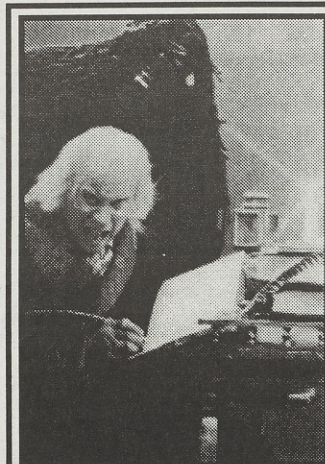
DYKES OUT TOGETHER MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL, 6pm, 726-7664

20 TUESDAY

VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS, Nevada City, 800-655-6569

31 SUNDAY

01.01.01: AN EVENING OF ELEGANCE, 8pm,



Rodger Hoopman will
play "Scrooge" from
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at Chautauqua Playhouse
in Carmichael.



Jessica Casteneda and Yolanda Moreno in
"Miriam's Flowers." The play will be
performed at CSUS Playwright's Theatre.

Theatre/Dance/Orchestra

24th STREET THEATRE: Lambda Players present Lesbian Laugh Fest, May 12, 2791 24th St., 452-3005, 366-3904

ALCAZAR THEATRE: The Vagina Monologues, thru Dec. 31, 650 Geary St., SF, 415-433-9500

AMERICAN RIVER THEATRE: To Be Young, Gifted, And Black, Nov. 17-26; Our Country's Good, Feb. 23-March 4; A Midsummer Night's Dream, Apr. 20-29; Jack and the Giant, May, 4700 College Oak Dr., 484-8234

ARDEN PLAYHOUSE: Luv. Nov. 17-Jan. 27; 2120 Royale Rd., 927-0942

BROADWAY PLAYHOUSE: 4010 El Camino Ave., 452-6174

CALIFORNIA BAROQUE ENSEMBLE: Maquette Kuper, Robert Samson Bloch, Julie Hochman, Susan Erickson, & Ruth Onstadt, Nov. 19; St. John's Lutheran Church, 1701 L St., 444-0874

CALIFORNIA MUSICAL THEATRE BROADWAY SERIES: Ragtime, thru Nov. 19; Defending The Covenants, Dec. 26-31; Copacabana, Jan. 30-Feb. 4; Riverdance, Mar. 6-18; Fosse, May 8-19; Annie Get Your Gun, June 5-10; Wells Fargo Pavilion, 1419 H St., 557-1999, 446-5880

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY: Playwright's Theatre, 6000 J St., 278-4323

CALIFORNIA WIND ORCHESTRA: Broadway's Holiday, Dec. 2; Concerto For Trumpet, Feb. 10; Pipedreams, Mar. 31; Courty Dances, Apr. 28; various locations, 498-2576

CAMELLIA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Bartok, Tann, Phen/He, Rachmaninoff, & Bridge, Feb. 3; Finzi, Schloenberg, & Respighi, March 31; Musgrave, Prokofiev, & Brahms, June 2; 900 Howe Ave., 2nd Floor, 929-6655

CAPITOL OPERA SACRAMENTO: 6442 Belgrove Way, Carm., 978-5922

CHAUTAUQUA PLAYHOUSE: Of Mice And Men, thru Nov. 25; Scrooge, Dec. 3-23; Sweet Mama Stringbean, Jan. 12-Feb. 17; This Day And Age, March 2-April 7; The Diary Of Anne Frank, April 20-May 26; 5325 Engle Rd., Carm., 489-7259

CHAUTAUQUA CHILDREN'S PLAYHOUSE: Brementown Musicians, thru Nov. 25; Reindeer In Wonderland, Dec. 2-23; Perils of Paw-Leen, Jan. 20-Feb. 17; Gnome Sweet Gnome, March 10-April 7; The Fat Cat, April 28-May 26; 5325 Engle Rd., Carm., 489-

CITY THEATRE: Blood Brothers, thru Dec. 9; A Piece Of My Heart, Feb. 23-March 24; The Importance Of Being Earnest, Apr. 20-May 19; 3835 Freeport Blvd., 558-2228

COSUMNES RIVER COLLEGE: Anatomy of Sound & Murder in Studio One, Nov. 15-17; 8401 Center Pkwy., 691-7199

CURRAN THEATRE: Penn & Teller, Nov. 21-Dec. 3; 445 Geary St., 415-551-2000

CSUS: Dale Scholl Dance/Art Movin' To Motown, thru Nov. 18, 451-3732; String Music Quarter Workshop & Competition, Nov. 17; Choirs, Nov. 17; Minion's Flowers, Nov. 17-Dec. 3; Sun Quartet, Nov. 19; Music Now, Nov. 20; Clarinet Choir, Nov. 21; Chamber Music Society, Nov. 26; Saxophone Quartet, Nov. 28; Student Composers Recital, Nov. 29; A Selection of One-Act Operas, Nov. 30-Dec. 2; Piano Series, Dec. 3; Symphony Orchestra, Dec. 5; Symphonic Wind Ensemble, Dec. 6; Faculty Dance Recital, Dec. 7-9; Winter Jazz Festival, Dec. 8-9; Procession of Carols, Dec. 9-10; 6000 J St., 278-4323, 278-2787

DAVIS COMIC OPERA COMPANY: Kismet, thru Nov. 18; Veteran's Memorial Theater, 203 E. 14th St., Davis, 530-758-3262

FOGHOUSE.COM: R. Buckminster Fuller: The History (and Mystery) Of The Universe, thru Dec. 3; George Coates Performance Works, 110 McAllister, 415-392-4400

GARBEAU'S DINNER THEATRE: Christmas in Time, Nov. 17-Jan. 7; It Had To Be You, Nov. 17-Jan. 7; Hwy 50 at Hazel Ave., 985-6361

LAMBA PLAYERS: Standing In The Shadows, Jan. 26-Feb. 24; Opening Lines, March 30-Apr. 28; Lesbian Laugh Fest, May 12; Festival Of Historic Gay Plays, Jan. 18-20; Beautiful Thing, June 15-30; 24th St. Theatre & The Geary Theatre, 366-3904

MAGIC THEATRE: Wonderland, Nov. 30, Dec. 10; Waiting Room Germany/Watsaal Deutschland, Dec. 1-10; Arrivals & Departures, Dec. 3-7; The Hungry Woman: A Mexican Medea, Dec. 4; Fort Mason Center Bldg. D, SF, 415-441-8822

NAPA VALLEY SYMPHONY: Robynne Redman, Nov. 17-21; American Operetta, Jan. 21; Gary Schocker, Feb. 2-6; Tammy Jenkins, March 2-6; Zuill Bailey, Apr. 1-3; various locations, 707-226-8742

NEVADA THEATRE: 401 Broad St., Nevada City, 530-432-4504

ORCHESTRA OF ST. CECILIA: Corey Cerovsek, violin, May 19; Michele Zukovsky, clarinet, Feb. 17; Jakob-Jerzy Omsky, cello, Apr. 7; Carlo Trynchuk, violin, Nov. 18; First United Methodist Church, 989-9789

ORPHEUM THEATRE: 1192 Market St. SF, 415-512-7770

PAMELA TROKANSKI DANCE THEATRE: Fall Concert, Nov. 30-Dec. 2; Fall Session, thru Dec. 16; location varies, 530-756-3949

PEGASUS THEATRE COMPANY: Private Lives, thru Dec. 9; 20347 Hwy 116, Monte Rio, 707-522-9043

RIVER STAGE: A Christmas Carol, Nov. 18-Dec. 17; The Chicago Conspiracy Trial, March 17-Apr. 22; How I Learned To Drive, July 7-22; Los Rios Community College District, 8401 Center Pkwy., 691-7364

RUTH ROSENBERG DANCE ENSEMBLE: eMotion, thru Nov. 18; 24th St. Theatre, 2791 24th St., 457-7733

SACRAMENTO BALLET COMPANY: The Nutcracker, Dec. 7-24; Swan Lake, Feb. 8-11; Golden Age of Ballet Russe: Rite of Spring, Apollo, Aurora's Wedding, March 29-April 1; New Works Series: Modern Masters at CSUS, May 3-6; Community Center Theatre, 1631 K St., 552-5800

SACRAMENTO BAROQUE ENSEMBLE: Holiday Concert, Dec. 10; Trinity Lutheran Church, 1500 27th St., 452-4380

SACRAMENTO MEN'S CHORUS: Starshine! A Holiday Concert, Dec. 10-15; Little Theater, 264-5181

SACRAMENTO OPERA: Madama Butterfly, Feb. 16-20; Community Center Theatre, 1301 L St., 264-5181

SACRAMENTO THEATRE COMPANY: Shirley Valentine, thru Nov. 26; Cinderella, Nov. 14-Dec. 24; Arms And The Man, Jan. 23-Feb. 18; The Millennium Monologues, Feb. 6-Apr. 8; Shedding The Tiger, March 6-April 1; We Are Family, April 17-May 13; 1419 H St., 443-6722

THE STUDIO THEATRE: Six Women With Brain Death, ongoing, 8pm; 1028 R St., 446-2668

THEATRE ARTAUD: 2nd Annual SF Hip Hop Dancefest, Nov. 16-19; Art of Skateboarding: One Fell Swoop, Dec. 7-17; 450 Florida St., 415-621-7797

THEATRE RHINOCEROS: Naked Boys Singing!, thru Nov. 19; 2926 16th St., SF, 415-433-9500

TRINITY CHAPEL: 2320 Dana St., Berkeley, 510-549-3865

SF GAY MEN'S CHORUS: Gentle Merryman, Dec. 2-3; Palace Of Fine Arts, 3301 Lyon St., SF, 415-863-4472

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WILLIAM J. GEERY THEATRE: 21301 St., 366-3904

THE WOODLAND OPERA HOUSE: My Fair Lady, thru Dec. 10; Greater Tuna, Feb. 2-24; Two by Two, March 23-April 14; Faffire, May 25-June 16; Lincoln Mayorga & Douglas Webster, Sept. 28; Swing Fever, Oct. 17; Lillie, Nov. 14; Todd Bolton, Jan. 20; California Cajon Orchestra, April 10; Ryan Woodward, Jazz Ensemble, May 1; 340 Second St., Woodland, 530-666-8617

Master Events Calendar

Breast Cancer Awareness Month	October
Castro Street Fair, 415-467-3354	October 1, 2000, Market and Castro, SF
National Coming Out Day	October 11
Sacramento International Gay & Lesbian Film Festival	October 11-14, 2000
MGW Newspaper 22nd Anniversary Celebration	November 2000
Election Day	November 7, 2000
Reverend Ed Sheriff Day	November 7, 2000
Sacramento Domestic Partners Law Anniversary 1992	November 16, 2000
Harvey Milk & George Moscone Killed	November 27, 2000
Sacramento AIDS Foundation Let The Miracles Begin, 448-AIDS	December 2000
World AIDS Day, 448-AIDS	December 1
M.H. de Young Art Gallery Closes Until 2005, 415-750-3614	December 31
Real Women Project, realwomenproject.com	January 20-22, 2001
Sacramento Jazz Jubilee	May 25-28, 2001
San Francisco Lesbian & Gay Film Festival, 415-703-8650	June 14-24, 2001
San Francisco Pride, 415-864-0931	June 23-24
Michigan Womyn's Music Festival, 231-757-4766	August 8-13
Sierra Stampede, 978-4040	August 18-20, 2001
Rainbow Festival 2001, 448-7798	Labor Day Weekend
Folsom Street Fair, 415-861-3247	September 23, 2001 SF
Gay Games	November 2002

Art Galleries

THE ANDERSON GRAPHIC ARTS COLLECTION: An American Focus, thru Dec. 31; CA Palace of the Legion of Honor, 415-750-3620

ART CENTER GALLERY: 1402 L St., Modesto, 209-529-3369

ART FOUNDRY GALLERY: Roger B. Stephens, thru Dec. 2; Merle Axelrad Serlin, thru Dec. 2; 1021 R St., 444-2787

ASHCAN GALLERY: 6005 Auburn Blvd., 729-8246

THE ART FOUNDRY GALLERY: 1021 R St., 444-ARTS

BARTON GALLERY: 1723 L St., 443-4025

BLOOMING ART: 1901 Capitol Ave., 442-3800

CALIFORNIA PALACE LEGION OF HONOR: An American Focus: The Anderson Graphic Arts Collection, thru Dec. 31; Old Master Prints from the Beitzelheimer Collection, thru Jan. 10; Lincoln Park, 34th Ave. & Clement St., 415-750-7645

CHROMA GALLERY: Celebration of Life with Patricia Mills, thru Nov. 5; 10030 Fair Oaks Blvd., 966-6020

COFFEEWORKS: 3418 Folsom Blvd., 631-3267

CROCKER ART MUSEUM: Chinese Porcelain in the Ballroom, thru Dec. 31; Rough Edge: Selections From Broad Art Foundation, thru Nov. 26; Beasts, Bugs, and Animals, thru Nov. 26; Artwork From Sheldon High School, thru Nov. 26; Armin Muller and Paul Stein, thru Jan. 28; Dr. Walter O. Evans Collection of African American Art, Dec. 16-Feb. 25; 216 O St., 264-5423

CSUS: Linda Katzdom, Emilio Soltero, Maria Winkler, thru Dec. 15; Fire & Form: The Painting of Foad Satterfield, thru Dec. 8; March Fong Eu, Nov. 30-Dec. 14; Photography Student Exhibit, Nov. 20-Dec. 1; Senior Graphic Design Portfolio Show, Dec. 8; 6000 J St., 278-2787

DAVID ADEN GALLERY: California Boys, Photographs From The 1960's and 1970's, thru Dec. 8; 350 Sunset Ave., Venice Beach, 310-396-2949

DOIRON GALLERY: Margot Schulzke, thru Dec. 6; Duane Hoskins & Deidre Dougherty, Dec. 7-Jan. 10; 1625 Del Paso Blvd., 564-4433

EXCENTRIQUE FUNCTIONAL ART GALLERY: 1409 R St., 446-1786

GALERIA DE LA RAZA: 2857 24th St., SF, 415-826-8009

GALLERY 8: David Wetzl, thru Dec. 16; 2906 Franklin Blvd, 442-5030

THE GEFENN CONTEMPORARY: Paul McCarthy, thru Jan. 21, 2001; 152 N. Central Ave., LA, 213-621-2766

MATRIXARTS: 1518 Del Paso Blvd., 923-9118

THE MEXICAN MUSEUM: Chicanos En Miclan: Dia De Los Muertos In California, thru Dec. 31; Fort Mason Center, Bldg. D, SF, 415-202-9700

MICHAEL HIMOVITZ GALLERY: Great Things In Small packages, thru Dec. 24; 1616 Del Paso Blvd., 1616 Del Paso Blvd., 929-7896

M.H. DE YOUNG MEMORIAL MUSEUM: Pan American Unity Exhibit: Exploring the Mural by Diego Rivera, Nov. 24-Dec. 31; Concept Plan by Herzog & de Meuron, thru Dec. 31; Wedding Dresses from the Permanent Collection thru Dec. 31; John Gutmann, thru Dec. 31; Kingdoms of Edward Hicks, thru Dec. 31; Great Nature: The Transcendent Landscapes of Chiura Obata, thru Dec. 31; Important Acquisitions for the New de Young, thru Dec. 31; Golden Gate Park, 415-750-3614

MOCA MUSEUM: Stan Douglas, Dec. 10-Apr. 1; Bruce Conner, thru Dec. 31; 250 South Grand Ave., LA, 213-621-2766

PHANTOM GALLERY: Old Goodwill Bldg., 2308 Del Paso Blvd., 922-2787

RICHARD L. NELSON GALLERY: From The Time Of Mozart, thru Dec. 15; Alice Street Revisited, thru Dec. 15; 124 Art Building, UC Davis, 530-752-8500

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SAN FRANCISCO MOMA: Celebrating Modern Art: The Anderson Collection, thru Jan.; Warren Sonbert, thru Dec. 17; 01.01.01: Art In Technological Times opens, Jan. 1, 2001; 151 Third St., San Francisco, 415-357-4000

SECOND SATURDAY ART WALKS: Most galleries, Dec. 9; 929-7896

SERENITEA: 2406 J St., 447-1832

SOLOMAN DUBNICK GALLERY: Camille VandenBerge & John Taratoeff, thru Dec. 2; 2131 Northrop Ave., 920-4547

STILL LIFE GALLERY & GIFTS: Mono & Bean, Bob Markson, Lillian Keller, thru Dec. 11; 2231 J St., 446-6786

THE URBAN HERBALIST: Susanne George & Mary Bear Schubauer, thru Dec.; 1729 L St., 447-4372

VIEWPOINT GALLERY: Novelties, Trinkets, and Souvenirs: Promoting a Marketable Past, thru Nov. 17; Visual Edge open, juried exhibit, Jan. 12-Feb. 23; 551 Sequoia Pacific Blvd., 441-2341, svpac@aol.com

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WANTED

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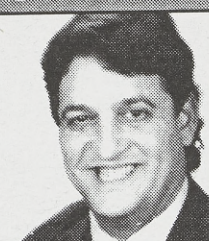
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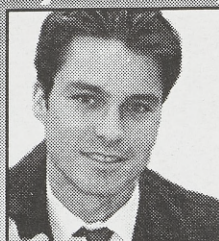
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Crocker Displays Rough Exhibit

SACRAMENTO, CA
"Rough Edge:
Selections from the
Broad Art Foundation,"
will be displayed at the
Crocker Art Museum (216
O Street) through
November 26. The art of
"Rough Edge" is a
response to our image-
saturated, visual culture.
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political, social, and
cultural issues in
unexpected and
sometimes jarring ways.
This bold exhibition, from
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been created especially
for the Crocker Art
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John Baldessari's "Car Flanked by Doubleman (Splashed Blue)" was created by melding color photographs with vinyl and acrylic paints. Artists Albert Oehlen, Sue Coe, and David



"Samson" by John Ahearn, oil on cast fiberglass. You can view other pieces by Ahearn in the "Rough Edge" exhibit

"Hate Like Us" by
Barbara Kruger mixes
text with silkscreen on
Plexiglass. Several of
Kruger's works are on
display at the Crocker
Art Museum as part of
"Rough Edge: Selections
from the Broad Art



Lee Jaffe's "The
Ghost of Sally
Hemmings" was
created with mixed
media. Art
presented in the
"Rough Edge"
exhibit is designed
to present new
visual and technical
approaches to
what defines a
painting or a